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Worries about restrictions on minorities

Quebec rabbi voices fears

MONTREAL —

The rabbi of the largest synagogue in Montreal says Jews must not be silent or indifferent in the face of legislation that restricts the freedoms of minorities.

Writing in a recent issue of the Shaar Hashomayim Bulletin, Rabbi Allan Nadler said, "The language of commercial signs is not the real issue at stake in the debate over Bill 178. The questions raised are much larger: Are non-francophones equal, respected and welcomed members of society? Will Quebec's linguistic and cultural minorities enjoy the most elemental protection of the Charter of Human Rights as interpreted by the courts?"

Nadler warns the community against "the luxury of impassivity when our own government violates the very foundation of democracy" given Jews' experience with totalitarian regimes.

"...We, the people who in medieval Spain suffered the indignities of Marranism and were forced to hide our true face and faith from the public, must be alarmed.

"Particularly as Jews, we are obliged to speak out against insidious forms of draconian legislation which instruct minorities to become invisible and to express themselves freely only when completely hidden from public view."

Nadler said Jews have a "duty" to support French Quebecers who are worried about the security of French culture in North America because of their own historic struggle to maintain their religion, ethnic heritage and languages, against the odds.

"We ought to be both understanding and cooperative in (French Quebecers') positive, legal efforts to strengthen their linguistic identity.

"Yet it is precisely because of that same Jewish historical experience that we cannot remain apathetic when such concerns turn negative, ugly and repressive; when collective insecurity results in xenophobic intolerance, suppression of free expression, random acts of violence and vandalism, and the trampling of human rights as clearly defined by our society's highest judicial bodies."

Democracy is threatened, Nadler argues, when the premier of Quebec "takes advantage of constitutional loopholes in order to disobey not only his own province's Court of Appeal, but the Supreme Court of the land..."

Canadians attend Moscow opening

MONTREAL —

Winnipeg Senator Nathan Nurgitz and Canadian Jewish Congress's national executive director Jack Silverstone left for Moscow last week to attend the opening of the USSR's first officially sanctioned Jewish cultural centre (CJN Jan. 12), says a CJC news release.

The centre — named after the late Soviet Yiddish actor Solomon Mykhoels — was to open on Feb. 12, marking the first time in more than a half-century that the Soviet government has given official recognition to Jews' right to participate in their national cultural heritage.

Other guests scheduled to attend the opening included Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel, Israeli poet Yehuda Amichai, Mykhoels' daughter and granddaughter, and World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman as well as other WJC officials.

(For more details see story on page 15).

BUSH MEETS LUBAVITCHER

U.S. President George Bush met recently with Rabbi Abraham Shemtov, national director of American Friends of Lubavitch, who brought the President greetings from the Lubavitcher Rebbe Menachem Schneerson. Shemtov expressed his wishes to the President for success in office, especially in his efforts to become the "education President."

Arens will discuss peace ideas in U.S.

By
JPFS & JTA

JERUSALEM —

The first high-level contact between the new Israeli government and the new U.S. administration will take place on March 13, when Foreign Minister Moshe Arens visits Washington to talk about the peace process and prepare for Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's visit a month later.

Arens' visit will follow the return of President George Bush and senior administration officials from the funeral of Japanese Emperor Hirohito in Tokyo.

Bush will meet Jordan's King Hussein and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Tokyo.

Arens is expected to test the administration's reaction to some of the new peace proposals currently being examined by Shamir.

Bush will meet again with Hussein and Mubarak at the White House in the spring, according to state department officials.

Details of the separate visits to Washington by Hussein, Mubarak and Shamir will be worked out over the next few weeks, U.S. officials said, and could accelerate the formulation of the new administration's policy on the Palestinian question.

The main subjects on the agenda with the leaders of Israel, Jordan and Egypt will be the future of the Palestinians in the territories and the U.S. role in settling the Arab-Israeli conflict.

In a related development, Secretary of State James Baker has made clear that he believes peace in the Middle East can only come through direct negotiations between Israel and the Arabs, not through U.S. pressure on Israel.

"At the same time, it is in Israel's interest to resolve the issue. Both sides have got to find a way to give something."

Baker stressed that while the United States plays an important role in the Mideast, "it is important that we not permit the perception to develop that we can deliver peace, that we can deliver Israeli concessions."

He said a lasting peace will only come through "direct negotiations between the parties, not something mandated or delivered by anybody from the outside, including the U.S."

Baker added that the United States "must do whatever we can to enhance the prospects of the parties negotiating the problem out among themselves."

Baker said that the Bush administration will continue the policy of the Reagan administration in supporting an international conference "provided — big proviso — it was properly structured and provided its purpose was to lead to direct negotiations between the parties."

He said the Soviet Union could play a role in Middle East peace negotiations if it was constructive, and that the Soviets could demonstrate this by restoring diplomatic relations with Israel, continue allowing greater emigration and "stop supporting states that support terrorism, such as Libya."

Baker also said he has no problems philosophically with supporting preemptive strikes against terrorism. "Sometimes such strikes are not only justified but almost required," he said.

Shamir plans conference to display Jewish unity

By
CHARLES HOFFMAN

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

About a year ago, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir flew off to Washington with the intifada raging at home, braced for some arm-twisting aimed at getting Israel to accept an international conference and the dreaded "territory for peace" formula. His efforts to stand up to administration pressure were reinforced by the rousing emotional reception he received from the UJA Young Leadership in Washington and from other Jewish audiences around the country.

The stakes are now higher as Shamir prepares for another Washington trip, probably in April. Uncle Sam is talking to Yasser Arafat and statesmen the world over are lining up to shake the PLO leader's hand. And the intifada shows no signs of abating.

Shamir, too, plans to up the ante, by convening a conference of Jewish leaders from around the world just before his trip, and asking them to line up in support of the Israeli government. Several thousand letters to Jewish leaders are now going out inviting them to attend The Prime Minister's Conference on Jewish Solidarity with Israel, to be held March 19-22. (See related story on page 5).

However, some of the participants in the meeting of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations — held in Jerusalem last week — were skeptical about the success of such an ambitious venture.

In a letter sent by Shamir to invitees to pre-conference deliberations, where draft resolutions will be prepared, he wrote that "in view of recent developments in the Middle East, there is an urgent need to strengthen the relationship of solidarity between Israel and all Jews around the world. The government of Israel expects the entire Jewish people to stand at Israel's side in its quest for peace, security and prosperity."

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Such a gathering appears to be unprecedented. Prime Minister Levi Eshkol convened an economic conference for world Jewry just after the 1967 Six Day War, but no Premier in the past 20 years has called world Jewish leaders together with the hope that they will endorse the government's position on the peace process. The conference will deal with economic issues and tourism, but the main thrust will be political.

The conference has bipartisan sponsorship, with Likud minister Ehud Olmert and Labor minister Mordechai Gur named by Shamir as coordinators. Both are now flying around the world talking to prominent Jews and heads of Jewish organizations in an attempt to sell them on Solidarity with Israel.

"We want Diaspora Jewish leaders to strengthen Israel's position in the peace process," Gur said, "but we aren't asking them to come and vote blindly in support of the government. World Jewry's support at this juncture is important, because it can help us stand up to unjustified pressures."

He expects some 1,000 participants from 60 com-

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Jerusalem growth rate outstrips rest of Israel

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Jerusalem's population is increasing at a rate of 2.8% a year, twice that of the rest of the country, according to the Jerusalem Statistical Abstract for 1987.

Jerusalem's population stood at 482,800, or 11% of the population of Israel at the end of 1987. Of that number, 346,100 are Jews and 136,500 Arabs.

In addition, for the first time in 20 years, the Jewish birth rate exceeds the non-Jewish birth in Jerusalem, if only by a fractional amount.

There were 28.9 births for every 1,000 Jews in the city, compared to 28.3 for every 1,000 non-Jews.

World-National

Drivers of all ages need testing

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

"This guy is 80 years old," someone recently said to me. "He shouldn't be driving any more. Old people on the road are a potential menace to the rest of us."

I heard a good deal of that kind of talk about old people, and much of it is based on nothing more substantial than a wad of prejudices.

Rabbi Plaut

First of all, what is "old age?" The Mishnah fixes its beginnings at 60 (Ethics of the Fathers, chapter 5), and as little as two generations ago that was still the general perception. Most people did not live that long anyway, and those who did were already a bit beyond the pale. That is why the age for social security payments was originally set at 65. In Germany, where it began a hundred years ago, few people would live long enough to enjoy the benefits.

In Ontario, the law requires that persons who reaches the age of 80 must undergo a yearly driving test to show fitness. The assumption is that when people reach that exalted age they can no longer be trusted to see, hear or react well enough to keep themselves and others out of harm's way. The law here picks the age of 80 as an average time when the acuity of one's senses has substantially decreased.

"Poor predictor" of one's ability

Do statistics back this up? A recent study by the National Research Council in the U.S. (NRC) has some surprising findings to report. "Age alone is a poor predictor of the ability to drive," it said and concluded that there is no justification to restrict driving based solely on age. We know of no particular age at which driving skills begin to falter. The point is: in trying to make the roads safe, we should concentrate on all drivers and submit them to regular tests, and not just the older ones. By doing only the latter we haven't really advanced safety at all.

Now it is true that older drivers are likely to have vision and hearing problems and may have increasing difficulty in negotiating highways and merging traffic patterns. But such drivers will generally tend to avoid tricky roads and stick to well known avenues. Also, by and by they themselves will give up driving at night.

Unwarranted judgments

So, while it is statistically true that the over-75 group has more accidents than 50-year-olds, it is also true that their record is better than the under-25 category. And not surprisingly (not to me, anyway), the 65-74 segment of the population has a better statistical rating that those in the 25-54 range. Why? Probably because greater maturity may mean less impatience and risk taking.

The NRC suggests the installation of larger and brighter traffic signs and the proffering of added incentives for safer driving. Thus, in 25 states in the U.S., drivers over 55 who complete a refresher course get a mandated auto insurance reduction. The introduction of this arrangement across the board, that is, for every age, might do wonders for safety all around and save us a bundle of money.

I have no objection to being tested at 80, but only if people 20, 30, 40 and so on are tested regularly. It would do a lot for safety and also remove at least one of the many unwarranted judgments about older people who, as it is, are thought of as superfluous and a burden on society.

"Creative" Israeli initiative needed

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

A longtime respected voice of pro-Israeli political activity on Capitol Hill has warned of serious problems facing Israel in the battle for American public opinion in the immediate period ahead.

Douglas Bloomfield, who recently left the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) where he served for nine years as its legislative director, bluntly urged Israel's new government to come forward quickly with some far-sighted policies in order to meet the pressing challenge.

He suggested that some of the $3 billion in proposed U.S. economic and military assistance for Israel this year was at stake.

"Israel, unfortunately, has lost the peace issue and that is the one thing that most members of Congress are looking at today," he said the other day in a candid interview. "It is too early to tell how that is going to translate into votes. But there is a great deal of dismay with Israel over its handling of the intifada in particular, and the peace process in general.

"And there is not a great deal of dismay over the [Reagan] administration's decision to open a dialogue with the PLO. As a result, there is growing pressure on Israel, and there is growing frustration that Israel seems to be digging in its heels and not coming up with anything in the way of its own peace initiative."

Before joining AIPAC, the 46-year-old Bloomfield had spent nine years working for the late Democratic Representative Benjamin Rosenthal of New York and the late Democratic Senator Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota. During these past 18 years in Washington, he earned a reputation as one of the most knowledgeable insiders on the complex role of Congress in shaping policy toward Israel and the Middle East.

He said that Israel needed to come up with a realistic and flexible peace initiative. "Without being able to tell you what has to be in it," he said, "I can say that it has to meet a certain test, and the test is that it has to be creative and it has to be credible. That means it is not going to get shot down immediately by Israel's critics in Washington — namely the Washington news media."

Bloomfield suggested that "the peak" of the U.S.-Israel relationship was between 1985-87 with President Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz in office. There have been problems since then.

"I think certainly you have to admit that these are very troubled times in Israel," he said, citing the most recent strain in Israel's special relationship with American Jewry. He said there was "enormous concerns in the American Jewish community over issues that took place in the [Israeli election] campaign. The Who is a Jew issue was very, very damaging because it upset the grass roots political activists in this country who feared that both parties in Israel were ready to disenfranchise them in their own negotiations with minority extremist parties in order to gain power in the government.

"So friends of Israel, particularly Jewish friends of Israel in the United States, were upset by the way that both parties handled that issue. Neither one of them came off well and that certainly undermined the base of support.

"Congress supports Israel for many reasons and one very important reason is because its constituents strongly support Israel. When those constituents are troubled and look like they may be drifting away, then the support of members of Congress begins to weaken because they are being responsive to grassroots."

Weakens support

Israel, in addition, is also not living up to America's expectations, according to Bloomfield, who referred to other longstanding reasons why Americans support Israel. 'The most important, the most traditional, is that Israel is a democratic country. It shares the ideals of America. It's a fellow democracy. It shares a heritage. And Israel is an island of stability in a very hostile environment. Somebody once said, 'It's a very nice country in a very bad neighborhood.'

"But when members see Israel not performing in the way they would like to see another democracy behave — and that is a pattern of human rights abuses, if that's what is taking place — then they become very troubled and that weakens support."

Israel has to respond more creatively and positively to the Palestinians. "It can't dismiss all Palestinians as terrorists," he said. "That's of another era. That argument will not wash with any one. Palestinians are seen as people with aspirations and needs. That does not constitute support for an independent Palestinian state but does constitute support for satisfying what in Camp David was called their 'legitimate rights.'

Anyone in Israel who simply dismisses the Palestinians as terrorists, Bloomfield warned, "is eroding his own base of support in this country and in the Congress."

These machines bedevil me but they make my life easier

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

My apartment blinks. It blinks in the morning and it blinks at night. It blinks when I'm away and can't do anything about it and it blinks when I'm home and I ought to be able to do something about it. The VCR blinks in green and the telephone answering machine blinks in red — the winking of electronic wiseguys who don't do what they're supposed to do but know I can't do anything about it.

With the VCR, I could do what a friend of mine does — cover the little light with cassette sleeves. It is far simpler than reading the instructions. With the answering machine, I don't know what to do. It blinks and winks and, often, feeds me messages from months ago. Sometimes I call the machine to get messages and instead of getting my recorded greeting, I hear a fragment of a message — "and please call me soon because it's important. Bye." Who? What's important? In the dark, the machine winks mockingly.

Molly Ivins, columnist for the Dallas Times-Herald, is an aficionado of the Miss America pageant. From time to time, she threatens to enter. In the talent category, she's said, she will program a VCR. Unless the contest is fixed, there's no question that Ivins should win. Such a talent is infinitely more valuable than throwing a baton into the air and I, for one, will be looking when she attempts it. God knows, I could not tape it.

My friends are an educated bunch, yet few of them can program a VCR. Some of them take a swipe at it. They set the machine to tape whole evenings of television, hoping they will get what they want. Having done that, sometimes with success, they then can't figure out how to turn off the machine. One friend's VCR goes on promptly at 8 and quits at 10. It has been doing that for weeks. VCRs once programmed and then disconnected, blink the same time: Because of VCRs, the local time all across America is always 12:00.

I refer to these machines as human because they represent the ultimate in egalitarianism: We all now have a servant problem. Now we all can know what it is like to pay for help and receive nothing but problems. Of course, a machine's aunt cannot die (day off) and it cannot insist on taking off every government holiday. But the false promise is there — the suggestion that a burden will be lifted when, in fact, just another will be substituted.

Why don't you read the directions? I hear you ask. I have — just once. I will not read them again because I should not have to. I think that having programmed my VCR one time, I should always be able to do it. That, though, is not the case. Instead, just to tape a program I will never have the time to see anyway, I have to find the directions (no easy task) and them read them. Something that was supposed to save me time instead consumes it. It ain't right.

I had a car with so many little buttons on the radio that I couldn't figure out how to find a station. Some of the buttons seemed to do the same thing. Hit one and the radio scanned. Hit another and it scanned. Punch the knob and it scanned. The radio also had an equalizer which had more lights than the wall of a missile centre. I could never figure out what it did.

I have an answering machine at home. I have one in the office. I call the machine and wish it could call the other and tell it to shape up. Sometimes I get a computer call. In the old days, I was always able to hang up. Now I have to listen to the whole message just to get to the next message. In the future, an answering machine will fall for some salesman's spiel: When you get home, you'll find aluminum siding.

Codes clog my brain. I have one for the answering machine in the office, another for the one at home. There is a code for my car radio so I can take it out of the car and put it back in. I have one for the bank machine and still others for credit-card machines I pass in airports whose codes are lost because I hid them in "the safe place" recommended by the company and now cannot remember where.

I have codes for all my frequent-flyer plans, and nightmares that I will give the bank machine the wrong code, cancel all my messages at home and blow up my car radio. My answering machine gives me messages that I return to other machines. In due course, my call is returned and my machine gets it: Electronic Ping Pong.

I do not want to go back to a simpler life. I will not stand in the way of progress. The various machines that sometimes bedevil me also make my life easier. This column, for instance, was written in Los Angeles on a portable computer. I love this little machine because it has made my life easier, and I know how to work this one.

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Unique group still strongly retains sense of family

Winnipeg's Chai Folk Ensemble marks 25 years

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Winnipeg's Chai Folk Ensemble celebrated its 25th anniversary at the Centennial Concert Hall here with a special performance that included a tribute to its alumni, 75 of whom participated in the performance.

The Chai Dance troupe was formed in 1964 by the late Sarah Sommer to honor and celebrate Jewish tradition. Sommer started with eight students from Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate. Today, under the direction of artistic director Jill Lhotka and associate choreographer Nenad Lhotka, the troupe numbers 40-50 singers, dancers, musicians and technical crew members.

In its 25-year history, there have been many high points for Chai including a command performance for Queen Elizabeth at the opening of Parliament in Ottawa in 1967, three albums and two TV specials (a local station taped the anniversary performance for a future airing).

Chai still strongly retains a sense of family as sisters and brothers follow each other in joining the group. Sarah Sommer's own children are a good example.

Her daughter, Reena, one of the original members, returned for the reunion concert. Her son, Hillel, is a current member of the troupe and its musical director. For brother and sister, this was the first time they had performed together.

As well, the second half of the performance was hosted by brother and sister Jerry and Debbie Maslowsky, also Chai alumni.

The Chai Folk Ensemble performs Adon Olam at Winnipeg's Centennial Concert Hall.

It's part of the group's philosophy to have an ever-expanding repertoire of works to perform, Jill Lhotka explained. "We do an average two new pieces every year," she said. "Our audience wants to see new works and the group wants to work on new things."

Since there are no "ABCs" of traditional Jewish dancing from which the group can base its works, Chai has to create its own new pieces. "We're not quite in the same position as other folk groups," said Lhotka.

"There are some basic steps, but much must be invented. We have no way of knowing how these things were done. It's like asking how did Moses dance?

"To be honest, we seem to be alone in what we do. I don't know another group in North America that's similar to ours." Most groups have eight to 16 dancers who dance to taped music, she said, adding that there are many such troupes in the U.S.

"But in the sense of doing things with themes, stories, full productions, sets, costumes, etc., I don't know of any other groups that mount productions like ours."

Jewish Social Crediter Levy will run in BC by-election

By
JEFF ROSEN

VANCOUVER —

There is currently no Jewish presence within British Columbia's governing Social Credit party or the provincial legislature. However, Vancouver businessman Michael Levy hopes to change all that come the next by-election.

Levy, 46, was recently nominated as Social Credit candidate in the Vancouver riding of Point Grey, a predominantly middle to upper-middle class riding which includes the University of British Columbia.

The riding became vacant when Socred MLA Kim Campbell, currently federal minister of state for Indian affairs and northern development, decided to run in Vancouver Centre for the Conservative Party in last fall's federal election.

Now with a by-election expected within the next two months, Levy hopes to become the first Jewish Socred MLA in British Columbia and the first Jew to sit in Victoria's legislature since former BC Premier Dave Barrett left provincial politics. Barrett is now NDP MP for the riding of Esquimalt-Juan de Fuca.

As the first Jewish Socred MLA, Levy declared that he would carry his religion proudly within the party and legislature. While excited about the prospects of a Jewish presence in the provincial legislature, Levy admitted he is disappointed that more Jews don't get involved in provincial politics here.

In contrast with the Jewish community's involvement in BC's political process, 17 Jewish candidates ran in Ontario's last provincial election. In four ridings, Jewish candidates competed against each other.

Of those 17, five Jewish candidates claimed victory.

Michael Levy

Levy, a financial advisor for Midland Doherty, said he decided to run in the by-election "to provide a strong free enterprise voice" for the riding to counter NDP MLA Darlene Marzari, who serves as Point Grey's second political representative in the dual seat riding. (In British Columbia, a number of ridings have two MLAs in the legislature.)

"She is the first Socialist elected in what has traditionally been a free enterprise riding," said Levy. "There has been some discontent with the leader of the Social Credit Party (Premier William Vander Zalm). Some of that discontent is deeply rooted within the Point Grey area and it could manifest itself in another Socialist seat."

Levy said that if the public is unhappy with Vander Zalm it should send him to Victoria where he could deliver this message within the confines of government, rather than through an opposition member.

He said the public has already let the premier know its feelings, through previous by-elections, including last year's in the staunch Socred riding of Boundary-Similkameen where NDP candidate N.L. Barlee was elected.

If the trend of losing by-elections continues and Point Grey falls to the NDP in the coming by-election, Levy said "it is going to be a signal that the government has had it."

If elected, Levy said he will support what the people of Point Grey have to say about his leader and deliver that message. However, he said he would do so within the confines of the party and would not publicly speak out against his leader.

"If you work for a corporation, then you must outwardly support the president and if you have anything to say about the leadership you say it within the confines of the board room and not in front of the building," said Levy making an analogy.

Levy is married with four children from age 20 to 6 months. Like his two university-age daughters, Levy attended Talmud Torah, where he was in the first graduating class in 1954. His parents were founders of the Talmud Torah day school.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: The CJN, in its recent editorial "A sad commentary on Jewish Law," decried the use of the American courts to enforce the ruling of the Supreme Rabbinical Court in Jerusalem "which had ordered Yehuda Shragi to issue his wife a get in 1968." While The CJN is sympathetic in its feelings for the poor agunah who waited 20 years for this get, it feels that this action cannot but "establish the legitimacy of an intrusion of the state into religious matters" and at the same time "assert the superiorty of secular law over that halacha." Do you agree with this editorial? Several Toronto Rabbis.

Rabbi Burak

ANSWER: The problem of the non-consenting husband who should divorce his wife, but refuses to do that, and leaves her in limbo for many years, is an old one. The fact that we have not yet found a cure for this cancer is no reason to reproach the rabbinate and its courts.

After all, have the most brilliant scientists in the world found a cure for the malignant cancers that cause hundreds of thousands of deaths each year throughout the world? The greatest scientists have been working to find a cure, but they haven't found it. We don't berate them when, as a last resort, they excise the diseased organ.

In Judaism, some brilliant minds tried to find a solution to the problem of the wife left in limbo. A sage, some 80 years ago, wanted to institute concubinage instead of marriage. A concubine needs no get, for she has no Kiddushin. It was as brilliant an idea as it was erratic.

The course of action taken in the U.S. courts is not a new venture. It is an old method of dealing with the problem. Here are a few precedents from the Talmud. In Tractate Gittin, 88b, we have a Mishnah that deserves our study:

"A get, given under compulsion exercised by an Israelite court is valid, but by a heathen court is invalid. A heathen court, however, may flog a man and say to him, 'Do what the Israelite authorities command you,' and it is valid." You see, even heathen courts did their best to help our rabbinical courts in such matters.

Rav Nachman, on the same page in the tractate, refines the statement on compulsion. Suppose the Beth Din used compulsion without having grounds for action. Is the get valid?

Said Rav Nachman in the name of Shmuel: "A get given under compulsion by an Israelite court with good, legal grounds is valid; but, without sufficient legal grounds, it is invalid." A well established court that acts in an illegal manner has no standing in law; its get is waste paper.

Not only did heathen courts come to the aid of the Jewish divorce courts. Sometimes, the Beth Din would accept aid from a single individual not of the Jewish faith, in its efforts to save an unfortunate woman denied a get by a cruel husband. This is found in Baba Basra, 48a:

"A non-Jew also, however, may be commissioned by a Beth Din to flog the husband and say to him, 'Do what the Israelite bids you.' "

More than 40 years ago, a Maryland court dealt with the question whether a get would be valid if given by a Beth Din, if the court ordered the husband to do it. A rabbi was asked and said it would be invalid.

Solomon Hirshorn, a Baltimore lawyer, showed that it would be valid. He was a Talmudist. A great opportunity was lost.

The Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

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PERSIK — BERESKIN

I received a telephone call from David Bereskin, a colleague from Oakville, Ont., in which he informed me that his surname was derived from the Polish word for peach — BRZOSKWINIA.

It is related to the German word PFIRSICH and the Jewish word PERSIK.

I read recently that Lauren Bacall, who was filming a movie in Israel, had called upon Shimon Peres to investigate whether they were related because both had been originally named PERSKY.

Will determine their needs

UJA leaders to visit Soviet Jews

NEW YORK (JTA) — Several representatives of the United Jewish Appeal, including its top leaders, embarked last week on a visit to Soviet Jews who are waiting in Europe for entry to the United States.

The purpose of the trip is to determine as precisely as possible the full scope of these people's needs, in order for the UJA to adequately and rapidly act in response to the flow of Soviet Jews that has been pouring into the Italian seaside town of Ladispoli.

Morton Kornreich, UJA national chairman, Martin Stein, chairman of its board of trustees, and Stanley Horowitz, UJA president, travelled to Rome to meet with the Soviet Jews.

The UJA is responding to increased pressure from local Jewish federations and resettlement agencies, whose financial resources have been stretched to the limit in the face of the largest Soviet Jewish emigration in nine years.

The different communities, particularly the cities affected by Soviet Jewish settlement, have been calling on UJA to spearhead a nationwide fund raising campaign to help resettle the Soviet Jews in the United States (CJN Feb. 9).

Nearly 19,000 Jews emigrated from the Soviet Union in 1988, and between 30,000 and 40,000 are expected to leave in 1989.

The UJA has all but agreed on a special campaign to enable the Soviet Jewish "waitniks" in Ladispoli — whose numbers are estimated at 5,500 — to come to the United States.

But the specific components and date of the UJA fund raising strategy have not yet been hammered out.

Such deliberations and agreements are expected to be finalized in the next several weeks, in meetings to be held in several U.S. cities and in a teleconference between cities, according to an informed UJA source.

Last weekend, for example, federation campaign directors met in San Francisco to discuss the problems.

According to the source, Kornreich is putting together a committee of top UJA leaders that will establish the scope, goals and strategies of the campaign, which has been dubbed Passage to Freedom.

The various federations throughout the country now have to go through "a period of advice and consent," the source said.

This will be carried out in many meetings throughout the country to agree on principles, among which is preservation of "an equitable distribution of the funds raised in a special campaign.

"While there is optimism that this will happen, it is not a foregone conclusion that this campaign will take place until all the federations sign on. For this there is a certain procedure," the UJA source said.

Although a preliminary plan has been drafted, the various federations have to refine it.

It was stressed, moreover, that financial responsibility for the Soviet Jews would be shared by all federations, not just those in whose cities large numbers of Soviet Jews have settled.

The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the UJA's service arm for Jews living abroad, is reportedly at the point of being forced by economic straits to close the doors on Soviet Jewish clients at its transmigration centres in Italy.

Although Sylvia Hassenfeld, JDC president, said recently the organization faces a huge deficit and will no longer be able to accept Soviet Jews after March 31, the UJA source assured the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that "ways will be found. Nobody is going to fail the needs of the Russian Jews."

A priority among the UJA leaders will be the establishment of an educational program to sensitize American Jews to the needs of Soviet Jewish resettlement both in the United States and in Israel.

But heeding the fact that Soviet Jews are largely reluctant to resettle in Israel, those responsible for the campaign will also be holding discussions with the leaders of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, to attract more of these Soviet Jews to Israel.

Most of them have expressed reluctance to go to Israel, despite having left the Soviet Union on Israeli visas. Israel has expressed tremendous disappointment and embarrassment that these Soviet Jews do not, in the end, want to go to the Jewish state.

"A big part of this campaign is to develop the kind of housing and job placement opportunities so that Israel becomes more attractive to them," the UJA source said.

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Granovsky to help organize leaders conference

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
Jewish community leader Phil Granovsky will be part of a 50-member team asked by Israel's top leaders to help organize a conference of Jewish leadership.

The 4-day conference, not yet officially announced, is expected to attract about 1,000 Jewish leaders from around the world, Granovksy said in an interview.

Meetings, tentatively scheduled to begin on March 19, will be held in Jerusalem where officials will discuss key issues faced by the new Israeli government.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is also expected to seek input from Jewish leaders to help prepare for his first meeting with George Bush since he became U.S. President.

Shamir is scheduled to meet with Bush immediately after the Jerusalem conference and will likely discuss U.S.-Israel relations with the American president, Granovsky said.

Granovsky said he was told about the conference late last month by Israeli government officials calling him on behalf of Shamir and Finance Minister Shimon Peres. He is believed to be the only Canadian asked to join the conference's organizing presideum.

He made the comments to The CJN last week shortly before leaving for Jerusalem to attend Jewish

Phil Granovsky

Agency Executive and board of governors meetings scheduled for Feb. 9-16.

Granovsky, a member of the Agency's executive and board, was the only Canadian to attend the meetings. Two other Canadian board members — United Israel Appeal of Canada president Sol Lederman, of Toronto, and immediate past president Martin Levine, of Montreal — were unable to attend.

A key agenda item at the meetings was to be the Agency's 1989-90 budget, Granovsky said. The budget will be brought before the Agency's assembly in June for final approval.

The impact on the budget of funding of increased numbers of Soviet Jewish emigres was also expected to be discussed, Granovsky said.

"I would say in view of the issues that will be discussed, this is probably one of the most important meetings that the Jewish Agency has held for many years," Granovsky said.

He said he hoped the meetings would result in a budget that would "look after the needs of the Agency" as well as provide adequate funding for Soviet Jewish emigres.

Another meeting was scheduled between officials of the U.S.'s United Jewish Appeal and Keren Hayesod to discuss fund raising for Soviet Jewish immigrants, he added.

Granovsky said a new world chairman for Keren Hayesod would also be announced at the Agency meetings. Granovsky, chairman of Keren Hayesod's board of trustees, has acted as temporary world chairman for the past 14 months.

Following the Agency meetings, Granovsky was expected to fly to Spain on company business before returning to Toronto on Feb. 26. He is chairman of the Toronto-based Atlantic Packaging Products Ltd.

N.B. govt. to challenge court decision

Ross ruling being appealed

By
PAUL LUNGEN

FREDERICTON —
The government of New Brunswick has decided to appeal a recent court decision that ruled the provincial Human Rights Commission did not have jurisdiction to hear a complaint in the Malcolm Ross case.

The announcement of the appeal by provincial Labor Minister Mike McKee was applauded by Canadian Jewish Congress and the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada.

"The government made the correct move," said Bernie Farber, associate national director of community relations for Congress.

"There has to be a fence of law to protect minority groups and the Human Rights Commission in New Brunswick serves that function."

"We hope the attorney-general (Jim Lockyer) will proceed quickly with this case," stated David Matas, senior legal counsel for the League.

"The appeal of this decision is vitally important in the fight against hate propagandists. Finally, an institution is willing to thoroughly hear a complaint against Malcolm Ross...The cause and protection of human rights in New Brunswick would be seriously jeopardized if the jurisdiction of the Commission was challenged prior to any complaint being heard."

Announcement of the appeal came less than a month after Court of Queen's Bench Justice Richard Miller ruled the Commission did not have jurisdiction to hear a complaint brought by Moncton resident David Attis.

Attis, a member of Congress' national executive and a parent of children in the school district, alleged that by continuing to employ Ross, a special education teacher, the District 15 school board failed to provide a discrimination-free service.

Ross has authored a number of books and letters that question the Holocaust and claim the existence of a worldwide Jewish conspiracy to undermine Christianity.

The New Brunswick Teachers' Federation and the school board challenged the Commission's jurisdiction and last month, Miller ruled against the Commission and Attis.

In announcing the appeal to the New Brunswick Court of Appeal, McKee said the "decision raised a number of substantial issues and I believe, in all the circumstances, it is appropriate these issues be considered" by a higher court.

North slams Arafat for "twisted rhetoric"

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —
Retired U.S. Marine Lieut.-Col. Oliver North lashed out at the Palestine Liberation Organization and its leader Yasser Arafat and appealed to Americans to maintain "faithfulness to our friend, Israel," in a speech to the Religious Roundtable's 8th annual Prayer Breakfast.

Attacking "the clever language and twisted rhetoric" of Arafat, North emphasized that the PLO chief said he has renounced terrorism but he has not apologized for the murders of Israeli athletes in Munich and children in Maalot or for the Achille Lauro hijacking in which American Leon Klinghoffer was murdered.

The program was dominated by North who appeared before going to a federal court for the second day of his trial on 12 charges stemming from the arms deal with Iran. Some speculated North's appearance caused White House officials to shy away from the event.

President George Bush himself addressed the 4,000-member National Association of Religious Broadcasters the day after the breakfast. The broadcasters support the breakfast and hold their annual convention at the same time.

North, who also cautioned wariness of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's overtures to the West, said, "Today we're being told to feel that Gorbachev is good and Arafat is all right and forget the past.

"If we do that, we will do an injustice to our children. It is better to remember the past and remind our children that freedom demands eternal vigilence (and that we) speak out."

Israel Consul-General Moshe Aumann praised "my brothers and sisters" in the audience, saying, "It's good to be among people not swayed by half-truths and doublespeak."

Aumann said that Arafat has exposed himself to be "the terrorist that he is" with his threat to assassinate the Christian mayor of Bethlehem Elias Freij.

"Coexistence and live and let live are not what we hear from Arafat. This is what we hear from Freij and others. They can't come forward because of assassins but they will when the PLO clout weakens," the Israeli diplomat said.

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But state department shows sympathy for army's dilemma

U.S. scores Israel for human rights violations

WASHINGTON (JTA) — In the harshest criticism of Israel's handling of the Palestinian uprising since it began in December, 1987, the state department has charged Israel with "a substantial increase in human rights violation" during 1988.

In its annual report, Country Reports on Human Rights practices, the state department also shows understanding for the difficulties the intifada has presented Israel.

"The Israeli government has regarded the uprising as a new phase of the 40-year war against Israel and as a threat to the security of the state," the report said.

"The Israeli Defence Forces, caught by surprise and untrained and inexperienced in riot control, responded in a manner which led to a substantial increase in human rights violations."

This has resulted in an "excessive use of force to try to maintain law and order in the occupied territories," Paul Hare, acting assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, said.

His remarks were made in testimony to the House appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations, which has jurisdiction over foreign aid.

The subcommittee was holding a hearing to determine whether foreign aid should be reduced to countries in the Middle East because of human rights violations. The human rights report is submitted to Congress to aid in legislation.

But Rep. David Obey the subcommittee's chairman, appeared to reject any reduction in the $3 billion in economic and military aid to Israel because of human rights violations.

Obey said the fact that a country is a large recipient of U.S. aid "does not diminish" the U.S. obligation to press for reforms.

The Lawyers Committee for Human Rights and the Helsinki Watch, two U.S.-based human rights monitoring groups who testified before the subcommittee, also rejected any cuts in the $3 billion in economic and military aid Israel receives from the United States.

They argued that the United States should place additional private and public pressure on Israel to resolve their differences.

Amnesty International told the subcommittee it does not address aid issues.

The human rights report also emphasized rights abuses in Iraq, Egypt, Iran and Kuwait.

The report called Iraq's human rights record "abysmal," due mainly to its use of poison gas against Kurds.

It praised Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak for extending political liberties, but also cited "credible reports" that police and security official practice torture with impunity.

As in past years, the human rights report contrasts the situation in Israel proper, which it calls an open and democratic society, with the situation in the territories, which is under military rule.

Also, as in past years, the 22 pages devoted to Israel is the largest section within the 1,559-page report.

"This report differs from many others in this compilation because of the greater detail available on the situation in the occupied territories by virtue of Israel's open and democratic society," the section on Israel explains.

Compiling figures from various sources, the report finds that 366 Palestinians were killed, mostly by the Israeli army, but some by Jewish settlers.

Another 13 Palestinians were killed by Palestinians for collaborating with Israel. Eleven Israelis were also killed.

In addition, more than 20,000 Palestinians and 1,100 Israelis were injured, according to the report.

In a related development, a senior state department official said that the U.S. believes that if Israel had a trained riot-control force, it could have prevented human rights violations in dealing with the Palestinian uprising.

Richard Schifter, assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, added:

"The situation in the Israeli occupied territories is sui generis." He explained that Israel faces a situation in which the "occupying army responds to serious disorder" by an "excessive" use of force.

This is largely due to the fact that the Israeli army is untrained for such a situation, Schifter said.

He contrasted this to South Korea, where security forces were able to contain riots against the government without any loss of life in 1988.

Schifter said the situation was also better in Jerusalem, where Palestinian rioting is contained by the police force, rather than the army.

He said that the United States has repeatedly advised Israel to create a force trained for riot control. Although Israel has apparently rejected this advice, Schifter said that "one assumes that these matters are going to be attended to."

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Israel reacted angrily and defensively to the harsh criticism by the U.S. state department.

A statement issued by the foreign ministry stressed that all of Israel's actions were "fully in keeping with international law."

The ministry maintained that the allegations of human rights violations by the Israel Defence Force were taken out of context, and did not reflect "the lethal nature of some of the means employed by the Palestinian rioters."

Deputy Foreign Minister Binyamin Netanyahu told a news conference that Israel could end the intifada "overnight" if it used draconian means, which it determinedly has refused to do.

The ministry statement took pains to dispel the image of the intifada as a relatively peaceful mass protest.

It noted the lethal nature of some of the weapons employed by rioters — rocks and other missiles and gasoline bombs.

"Such violence is meant to kill, and 12 Israelis have lost their lives as a result," the statement said.

"More than 1,280 Israelis — about 830 soldiers and 450 civilians — have been injured, some of them critically."

The ministry also pointed out that "66 Palestinians were murdered and more than 100 wounded because they did not comply with the Palestine Liberation Organization and Islamic fundamentalist demands."

The ministry insisted that soldiers who violate standing orders of conduct are "subject to military trial and punishment.

"While some excesses have occurred, these have been unacceptable departures from policy, and have been dealt with accordingly," the statement said.

"Israel constantly seeks to find the balance between security and humanitarian requirements," it added.

Taba diplomatic tiff downplayed

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Israel and Egypt seem to have resolved their latest "misunderstanding" and will resume talks on Taba with a good chance that the few remaining issues will be speedily settled.

The talks broke down last week in an explosion of temper by the chief Egyptian delegate, Hassan Issa, who stalked out of the meeting saying the Israelis "insulted" him.

But both governments played down the incident, expresssing hope that the talks will be resumed this week. They said only two or three minor points awaited agreement.

Israeli officials attributed Issa's outburst to "personal and national differences."

They acknowledged that the Egyptians are a proud and sensitive people, who may be affronted by the less-than-formal behavior of Israeli officials.

Issa was angered because the Israelis had decided to adjourn an afternoon session but failed to inform his delegation.

Until that point, the two teams had succeeded in formulating a draft document on access procedures for Israeli tourists after Taba reverts to Egyptian sovereignty.

Access will be allowed with presentation of a valid passport, but there will be no visa requirements for short visits to Taba or to any other resort areas in Sinai, which have been under Egyptian rule since 1982.

One question to be resolved is insurance coverage for Israeli motorists driving in the Taba enclave.

Young religious zealots suspected in vandalism

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The grave of David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first Prime Minister, was defaced with swastikas by vandals last week, and police suspect a gang of young religious zealots, calling themselves Keshet, as the perpetrators.

The grave, near Sde Boker, the Negev kibbutz where Ben-Gurion made his home, is a national shrine.

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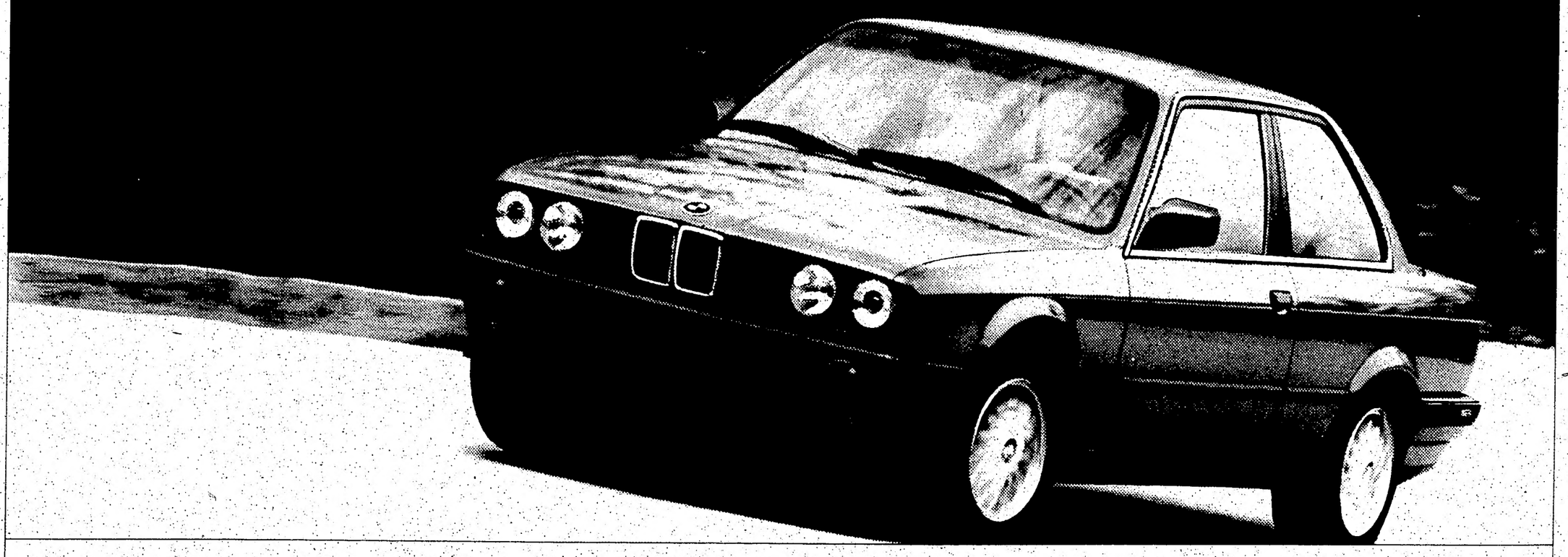

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

The 20th of Adar (Feb. 25 this year) was traditionally celebrated by the Jews of Frankfurt-on-Main as Purim Fettmilch. Commemorated was their salvation from a Haman-like aggressor.

Jews, as visiting merchants and residents, came to the central German city in early medieval times. By the 12th century, its small community was vibrant and flourishing. Disaster first struck in 1241. Clergy-supported rabble rousers incited the populace to destroy the Jewish area. More than 75% of its over 250 Jews were killed, including its rabbis and chazzan. Survivors were forcibly baptized.

A commission of inquiry by Frederick II instituted heavy penalties against Jew-baiters and a royal guarantee of safety for the community. Over the following generations, its fortunes waxed and waned as periods of economic and scholarly prominence altered with mob violence and destruction. During the Black Plague of the mid-14th century, most of its Jews were killed by mobs again; only the admission of immigrants revived the community.

The city's Jewish craftsmen and artisans more than held their own against the exclusively Christian guilds vying for monopoly. The latter, in the early 17th century, began trying to expel the community. When these efforts proved unsuccessful, their leader Vincent Fettmilch, a baker, organized a massive attack. This befell the Jews on Aug. 22, 1614.

Warned just before, they made a resounding effort to defend themselves. The Jews took up staves and pitchforks, removed women and children to the cemetery for refuge, and locked the gates. The men assembled at the main synagogue, where they prayed and fasted until they heard the mob breaking through the barriers. Bitter fighting ensued, in which two Jews and one Christian were killed.

Frenzied mob

Heavily outnumbered, the Jews drew back and the frenzied mob began pillaging shops and homes. At that point, according to Philip Goodman's *Purim Anthology* (Jewish Publication Society, 1973), a crowd of townspeople poured in from the other side to confront the rioters, who were soon routed. While ostensibly saved, the Jews were advised by the city council to leave as soon as possible as their safety could not be guaranteed. They packed what they could and left the next day, taking up residence in neighboring towns.

Justice, however, proceeded in their absence. An inquiry was instituted. The Jews' loss was keenly felt, as Frankfurt's economy ground down and the unopposed guilds tried to raise prices exorbitantly. Fettmilch and six accomplices were arrested and sentenced to death. The Jews were invited to return.

The criminals were hung Feb. 28, 1616, on the very day of the Jews' formal readmission. The townspeople celebrated the latter's return with music and dance.

Royal shields on each of the Jewish area's three gates signalled that protection of the Jews was once more confirmed by the emperor. The Jews were assembled at the entrance of their main street to hear his verdict, drawn up by the imperial commissioners. A decree by "His Roman Imperial Majesty and the August Empire" compelled the city's Christian populace to pay the Jews 175,919 florins indemnity. It was a heady moment for the community. The day, Adar 20, was declared a holiday linked in substance and spirit to the Purim of Esther and Mordechai. A special megillah was composed by Elchanan Helin, in Hebrew and Yiddish, to be read annually on that day.

Adar 19 was designated as a fast day to commemorate the expulsion from which the Jews returned.

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INPARSHAL WORDS

The Torah contains many words echoed in English. One in this week's parsha Tetsaveh is *parah*, a young cow. It recalls the word heifer, and means the same thing. (Ps and Fs are often interchangeable between and within languages.) Another word is *sandal*, which means sandal.

The Concise Oxford Dictionary traces heifer to its immediate Old English antecedent, *heahfore*. Beyond this, its roots are "of unknown origin."

Sandal is taken back to the old Greek *sandalion*, which the COD concedes is "probably of semitic origin."

Jerusalem envoy sees no real change

Israel receives PLO verbal assault

GENEVA (JTA) —

An unbridled verbal assault on Israel by the Palestine Liberation Organization and its Arab allies was cited by the Israeli delegate to the UN Human Rights Commission here as proof that the PLO's goal is still the destruction of Israel.

There should be no illusions that PLO chief Yasser Arafat and his cohorts have changed their attitude and really desire peace, the Israeli delegate, Rafael Walden, said.

The commission's annual conference opened recently and will end next month. The first agenda item was The Violation of Human Rights in the Occupied Arab Territories.

Walden, speaking after five days of attacks on Israel, responded specifically to charges by the PLO representative, Nabil Ramlani, that Israel gassed Palestinians and burned them to death.

Ramlani also charged that Israel stole the organs of deceased Palestinians for transplants and generally matched the Nazi practitioners of genocide.

Allegations of severe Israeli brutality were also leveled by the representatives of Jordan and Syria, but none were as extreme or elicited so high a degree of disbelief as those by Ramlani.

Ramlani's remarks were so virulent as to raise protests of disbelief among journalists covering the session.

"How can anyone listening to the speeches delivered here by the Arabs harbor the illusion that they did a complete about-face and abandoned terrorism and the aim of the destruction of Israel?" Walden asked.

"Those who invent malicious, obscene lies about gas chambers or stealing organs for transplant can hardly claim to be speaking a peaceful dialogue," he added.

Walden charged that the bombing of Pan American Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland on Dec. 21 was the work of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, with the help and approval of Syria and Libya.

"The seeds sown by the PLO continue to bear fruit," Walden said.

Walden also cited recent threats attributed to Arafat on the lives of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip who want to end the 14-month-old intifada.

In addition, Walden claimed that the PLO and the Shiite militia, Amal, have agreed to continue anti-Israel operations from Lebanese soil.

Responding to criticism of the measures taken by Israel to repress the uprising, Walden asked, "Could there be a more blatant violation of human rights than sending women and children to attack soldiers?"

The Israeli delegate also deplored what he called the one-sidedness of Amnesty International, the London-based, private human rights organization.

Its representative, Ingrid Kircher, gave no credence to the extreme Arab charges when she spoke.

But she repeatedly expressed concern about a broad range of human rights violations attributed to the Israelis in the territories.

Kircher said the pattern of violations included killings, beatings and unfair imprisonment, indicating that the Israeli government was apparently not willing to enforce international human rights standards.

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NEW YORK (JTA) —

A Peruvian judge has ruled that three alleged members of the Abu Nidal gang must stand trial on charges of conspiring to attack Jews and Americans in that country, and for plotting other terrorist acts, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith reported recently.

The three are being held without bail, denied them by Judge Daniel Tumay, according to Rabbi Morton Rosenthal, director of the ADL's Latin American affairs department.

The judge said the three had records of terrorism in several countries, including Austria, Italy and Israel.

They were identified by the ADL as Hocine Bouzidi, alias Ali Muhamad Ali Isa Al Batmi, 36, an Algerian national; Amad Assad Mohamed, alias Salem Abdel Azia, 19, a Lebanese national; and Mohamed Abdelrahman Abed, alias Muatsim, 19, a national of Egypt.

The ADL said all are Palestinians.

According to the ADL, at the time of their arrest in July 1988 the three men had in their possession the licence plate numbers of Peruvian Jews, and information about Jews and other individuals and institutions they had targeted for attack.

These included the U.S. embassy in Lima, and Peruvian and international planes and ships.

The trio is accused of planning the attacks jointly with a Peruvian terrorist organization known as Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path), the ADL reported.

Youth participation encouraged for Plenary

MONTREAL —

When delegates begin signing up in March for the forthcoming Plenary Assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress, regions will try to ensure that youth is adequately represented.

The Plenary will take place May 7-9 at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

CJC has received a youth grant from the federal Secretary of State's multiculturalism section. Plenary chairman Rosalind Goodman says these funds will be used to help encourage attendance by youth from across the country.

"For young adults," Goodman said, "it is not only an educational experience to attend the Plenary, but also a way of encouraging their continued involvement in the organized Jewish community."

The Plenary, which alternates every three years between Montreal and Toronto, will feature forums and plenums covering a broad spectrum of Jewish issues. Important resolutions and policies will be adopted and a new corps of national officers will be elected for a 3-year mandate.

Some of the responsibilities young adults will be asked to undertake during the Plenary include monitoring each session as a backup to the chairman, assisting in registration, working at the polling sessions during the voting period, manning the information booth, helping host the hospitality suite and, most importantly, actively engaging in dialogue throughout the event.

"The main point we are trying to bring out," stated CJC president Dorothy Reitman, "is we want young adults to be integrally involved in this Plenary. We're talking about charting the course for the future of the Jewish community. They are truly important players in this regard."

Young adults are being encouraged to participate in every aspect of the event.

To qualify as a delegate they must be 18 years of age or over and be "in good standing" with their local United Jewish Appeal campaign office.

At the 1986 Plenary in Toronto, Alan Feld, then 23 years old, ran for the position of associate chairman of CJC's national executive committee and won, demonstrating that young leadership can have a place at the decision-making level of CJC.

"The Plenary serves as a vehicle to revitalize our national leadership," said Reitman. "It really is an ideal opportunity for the youth and young adults to come and find out how they can become more involved and really see what the major issues facing Canadian Jewry are all about."

Among the activities at the Plenary of specific interest to young adults, will be youth caucuses, a youth social, and forums on intermarriage and assimilation and Jewish education.

"Youth is not always involved in the decision-making of organized Jewish community life," said Goodman. "It is important to familiarize them with national and international issues which impact on their lives and on the development of the Canadian Jewish community."

Those seeking more information on how to register as a delegate should contact the CJC region in their area. Registration is $95 for delegates and observers. There is a special student fee of $55.

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Editorial

The Canadian Jewish news

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Strange chemistry

There is a of strange chemistry going on in West Germany today. The first example involved the Bonn government's silent acquiescence in the shipment of pharmaceuticals to Libya's chemical weapons facility.

Although it first denied its involvement, Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government subsequently expressed contrition about the affair and affirmed that German firms would be stopped from exporting the chemicals needed to fuel Libya's poison gas factory.

In the last week, however, a new kind of noxious fume has been wafting over West Germany. It comes in the form of a vote received by the Republican Party in West Berlin's municipal elections.

Led by a former Waffen SS officer, Franz Schönhuber, the Republicans garnered 7.5% of the popular vote on a platform, says Serge Schemann in The New York Times "of enough foreigners, including Turks and other residents of the Third World."

It is interesting to note that there are about 4 million non-Germans in a total population of about 60 million. The vast majority of these people were invited into Germany in the 1960s and 1970s when West Germany was experiencing a severe labor shortage.

German government officials have been quick to deny that the Republican Party is an extremist organization. Political analysts claim that those who cast their ballots for the Republicans "were really expressing irritation with the major parties who have long neglected the silent majority of old Berliners, workers and civil servants. Parallels have also been drawn between xenophobic elements in France's political life as well.

It is heartening to note, however, that many young Berliners have chosen not to heed the claiming rhetoric and have taken to the streets to denounce the re-appearance of a neo-Nazi coalition in German politics, even if it is only on the municipal level. The signs which many of them carried left no doubt that they see a resurgent Nazism in the Republican victory.

The elections in West Berlin may represent a purely local situation. A democratic enclave stuck geographically in East Germany, West Berlin has always lived under special tensions. Local elections in Frankfurt in March will indicate whether the Republican showing marks a trend in German politics or whether the victory of Franz Schönhuber was merely a one-time protest.

We sincerely hope that the latter is true.

Waiver premature

We must confess to a sense of surpise at the timing of a proposal now being made by the American Jewish Congress. While its activity is confined to the United States, the ramifications of its proposal extend to Jews everywhere, including Canadian Jews.

Last week that organization began lobbying to seek a temporary lifting of restrictions in the Jackson-Vanik amendment, which says that Communist countries may not receive favorable tariff treatment or credits from the United States unless they permit free emigration of their citizens.

Spokesmen for several Jewish organizations have expressed support for the AJC's move. They argue that liberalizing of trade credits will give the lie to Gorbachev's conservative opponents who claim that his policies have produced no tangible benefits. "A waiver of the Jackson-Vanik would doubtless be regarded by the Soviets as an appropriate reward . . . and would thus shore up Gorbachev's position — and hence his ability to continue his improved policies towards the Jews," says Phil Baum of the AJC.

There is no doubt, of course, that the Soviets have changed their emigration policies. In 1987 Soviet Jewish emigration was 8,149; in 1988 it was 19,343, the highest level since 1980. This year the figure is expected to rise to 35,000.

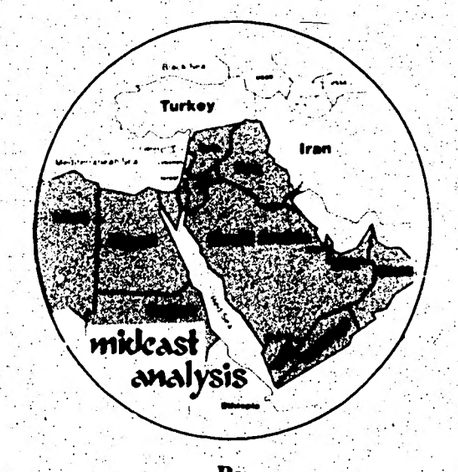
It should be noted, however, that despite this upward trend, Soviet authorities continue to deny exit visas, on totally spurious grounds, to individuals who might have had some connection, however remote, to state security secrets. There are Soviet Jews in Canada who have close relatives who might have been denied permission to emigrate on precisely those grounds. Their case is not at all unique.

A waiver of the Jackson-Vanik amendment would, therefore, be premature at this point. It would be more judicious, says the Union of Councils of Soviet Jews, to repeal a 1975 law limiting export credits to the Soviet Union if Moscow kept its promise to adopt a more liberal emigration statute. A waiver of the Jackson-Vanik law would be justified only when emigration reaches 50,000 to 60,000 a year.

This is a much more sober position than that espoused by the AJC.

Two governments in power

Paralysis grips fragmented Lebanon



A Syrian soldier stands guard in Beirut as fighting between the Amal and Hizbullah militias rages. [AFP photo]

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Lebanon, fragmented and bloodied, is a nation that exists only on paper.

By any yardstick, it's an anomaly — a country with two competing governments, a factionalized army and feuding, bloody-minded militias.

These problems are compounded by the fact that Lebanon's sovereignty has been effectively usurped by Syria, Israel, Iran and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Lebanon's current paralysis is a function of its warring leaders' inability to agree on a successor to Amin Gemayel, who completed his 6-year presidential term of office last September.

Under Lebanon's 1943 National Pact, the president and the army commander must be Maronite Christians, while the prime minister must be a Sunni Moslem and the Speaker of Parliament a Shiite Moslem. It's a system that was devised to minimize ethnic and religious tension. It worked relatively well until quite recently, two civil wars (1958 and 1975-76) and the 1982 Israeli invasion notwithstanding.

Several months before Gemayel's term expired, Christian politicians began jockying for his position. A bevy of hopefuls emerged, most notably Suleiman Franjieh, a former president. His candidacy was rejected by the powers that-be because of his uncompromising pro-Syrian views.

At this critical juncture, Syria and the U.S. tried to fix the succession. They nominated a member of parliament, Mikhail Daher. But he, too, was considered too close to Syria.

With no successor in the wings, Gemayel took drastic action. Five minutes before his mandate expired, he appointed the Christian commander of the army and one of the presidential aspirants, Gen. Michel Aoun, to head an interim military government — the first in Lebanon's history.

The outcry from the Moslem community was hardly surprising, since Gemayel had not even bothered to consult the Moslem prime minister, Selim al-Hoss.

By way of reaction, Hoss announced that he was the only legitimate authority. Hoss exacerbated the crisis by naming a Moslem officer as interim commander of the army, which had already split into Christian and Moslem brigades.

So as of now, Lebanon is governed by two separate regimes, a state of affairs that is bound to hasten the process of total national disintegration.

This development works against the interests of Syria, the chief arbiter in Lebanon. Aoun is not an advocate of partition, which Damascus opposes. However, he wants Syria to withdraw from Lebanon. Syria maintains about 30,000 troops in Lebanon, mainly in the north and in the Bekaa Valley. They have been there since Syria's intervention in the second civil war.

"The Syrian presence cannot be eternal," Aoun has said. "The time has come to find out whether Lebanon is an independent country or a minor province of a neighboring country."

With Aoun in the saddle, Syria and its Lebanese allies will be hard-pressed to reform Lebanon's antiquated political system, which is predicated on demography. When the National Pact was signed, the Maronites commanded a much larger share of the population than today. Although the population mix has changed to their disadvantage, the Maronites refuse to cede more power to the Sunni and Shiite communities.

Sunni and Shiite leaders, supported by the Druse, now insist that fundamental political reform must precede the election of a new president. Syria backs this demand. The Maronites, as represented by Aoun, fear that capitulation to the Moslems will diminish their status in Lebanese society.

The resulting impasse seems insoluble. For the unforseeable future, Lebanon will continue to drift aimlessly.

With no central authority in place, Lebanon is extremely vulnerable to lawlessness and anarchy, as well as sectarian violence, of which there is no shortage.

In the past few months, Lebanon has been driven to the edge:

In the waning days of 1988, the Red Cross representative in southern Lebanon, Peter Winkler, was kidnapped and held captive by a group affiliated with Abu Nidal's Fatah Revolutionary Council.

In response, the Red Cross suspended operations and withdrew its staff from Lebanon. It was the first time the Swiss-based humanitarian organization had been forced to leave a country.

The Winkler kidnapping was not an isolated event: Moslem extremists hold more than a dozen foreign captives, most of whom are Americans, and neither the two Lebanese governments nor Syria can do anything about it.

Indeed, the kidnappings are a sure sign that no one is in firm control.

In the absence of real government, local warlords have taken over, ruling Lebanon through fiefdoms.

Not surprisingly, jurisdictional disputes have broken out, often degenerating into outright fighting.

Until the signing of a truce in late December, the Shiite Amal militia was locked in ferocious battle with the PLO. Amal, led by Nabih Berri, sought to regulate the activities of the Palestinians in Lebanon so that Shiite villages in the south would not be attacked by Israel in the wake of PLO raids on Israeli settlements.

In the fighting, which started in 1985, more than 3,000 people were killed and property destruction was substantial.

It remains to be seen whether the ceasefire will last. PLO chieftain Yasser Arafat has ordered his Fatah faction not to undertake raids against Israel from southern Lebanon. According to Gen. Dan Shomron, the Israeli chief of staff, Arafat's PLO faction has not carried out a raid since mid-November. But earlier this month, two PLO factions sent its men on an abortive raid into Israel from Lebanon.

Even without the PLO, Israel has its hands full in south Lebanon. Hizbullah, the pro-Iranian Shiite militia, has supplanted the PLO as the main guerrilla/terrorist force in the area.

In 1988, 632 armed attacks were launched against Israel and its proxy, the South Lebanon Army, in the security zone formally established by Israel after its 1982 invasion.

Twenty four infilitration attempts into Israel were also recorded.

The majority of these raids were conducted by Hizbullah — which seeks an Islamic state in Lebanon and the destruction of Israel — and anti-Arafat Palestinians.

Amal was only peripherally involved in these assaults, and usually did its best to forestall Hizbullah raids on Israel. These efforts by Amal triggered fierce fighting with Hizbullah.

Amal, however, did not discourage Hizbullah from attacking the self-proclaimed Israeli security zone, which it wants to see dismantled.

In essence, Amal's conflict with Hizbullah was a struggle for control of the Shiite community — the largest in Lebanon.

More than 500 Shiites died in the fighting between Amal and Hizbullah. It produced strange bedfellows. Syria and Israel supported Amal, while Syria's ally, Iran, backed Hizbullah. But Israel's unofficial alliance with Amal didn't stop it from hitting Amal bases: On Dec. 29, Israeli helicopter gunships raked an Amal base, following disclosures that Amal had provided assistance to anti-Arafat Palestinians who had attempted to infiltrate into the Galilee.

Last week, after Syrian and Iranian intervention, Amal and Hizbullah signed a truce. It is advantageous to Amal, Syria and Israel for the simple reason that Amal has been given operational control of southern Lebanon.

Significantly enough, Lebanon's 2-headed government played no role in the Amal-Hizbullah ceasefire agreement.

Beirut was simply bypassed.

But who can be surprised? Lebanon, as a fullfledged nation, has ceased to exist.

Opinion

Abe Lincoln stood for truth, democracy, tolerance

By
BERNARD BASKIN

How relevant is Abraham Lincoln whose birthday we have just celebrated? Does he still speak to the complex needs and problems of our time? Can his qualities of character and leadership teach and inspire the politicians of our day?

What did Lincoln stand for?

In the first place, he strove all his years to know and to live by the truth. The simple stories of how he earned the nickname of "Honest Abe" around New Salem, Ill., have become legendary. Later in life, during his debates with Senator Douglas, when he was criticized for paying more attention to logic and issues than to trying to win a campaign, he stated: "I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to what light I have. I must stand with anybody that stands right . . . stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong."

Lincoln supported the cause and objectives of the United States during the war with Mexico. But as a member of Congress he opposed the campaign to capture Mexico City. Back home in Springfield, Ill., Lincoln's law partner, William Herndon, warned him that he was committing political suicide. In his letter of Feb. 1, 1848, Lincoln replied: "Would you have voted what you felt and knew to be a lie? I know you would not . . . If you would have skulked one vote, you would have to skulk many before the end of the session."

In 1864, Lincoln refused to sign a bill which sought retribution against the crumbling Confederacy. When he was informed of threats of assassination he assured the senators who were pressuring him to sign: "If they choose to make a point upon this, I do not doubt they can do harm. At all events, I must keep some consciousness of being somewhere near right. I must keep some standard or principle fixed within myself."

Secondly, Lincoln stood steadfastly for constitutional democracy. During the dark days of the Civil War his opponents accused him of acting like a dictator exercising unconstitutional authority. The accusations centred around Lincoln's temporary suspension of the writ of habeas corpus for rioting draft resisters.

As a result of his action they were then tried in military courts where trials were held immediately, instead of in civilian courts where trials were delayed indefinitely. Lincoln's firmness quickly stopped the riots and probably saved the Union from collapse.

The President wrote: "My oath to preserve the constitution to the best of my ability, imposed upon me the duty of preserving, by every indispensable means, that government — that nation — of which the constitution was the organic law. Was it possible to lose the nation, and yet preserve the constitution? . . . I could not feel that I had even tried to preserve the constitution if I should permit the wreck of government and country altogether." Shades of the Canadian War Measures Act!

Thirdly, Lincoln was characterized by tolerance and appreciation for the rights of all groups and races within the nation.

Born in the South, reared in the West, elected by the North, Lincoln felt himself to be President of the whole United States, and insisted that it was "easier for friends to make laws than it was for enemies to make treaties."

One of the political groups of his day, the American Party, was founded on religious intolerance, and its handmaiden, racial hatred. Aptly did Horace Greeley call this party, the "Know-Nothings," for they were wont to respond when questioned about their party affiliation with the words, "I know nothing." Thousands of Irish Catholics were pouring into the country and with their genius for politics these "furriners" were making themselves particularly obnoxious to some of the old standpatters of longer American lineage.

Lincoln wrote to a friend, "I am not a Know-Nothing; that is certain. How could I be? How can any one who abhors the oppression of Negroes be in favor of degrading classes of White people? Our progress in degeneracy appears to me to be pretty rapid. As a nation we began by declaring that "all men are created equal." We now practically read it 'all men are created equal except Negroes.' When the Know-Nothings get control, it will read, 'all men are created equal except Negroes, foreigners and Catholics,' When it comes to this, I shall prefer emigration to some country where they make no pretense of loving liberty."

A well authenticated story is told of Lincoln and a Jewish businessman who had been sent to Switzerland to represent his firm in Zurich. He was astounded to learn that particular Swiss canton did not permit Jews to take up residence within its boundaries. Some of his American friends appealed to Secretary of State Seward to remedy this situation. But Seward threw up his hands. He could not, he stated, write the laws of another country.

Finally, the matter was brought to Lincoln's attention. Lincoln asked, "Seward, who is our consul at Zurich?" "We have none, Mr. President," Seward replied. "Well, Seward, just appoint this gentleman our consul at Zurich. I guess," said he, rubbing his hands with satisfaction, "that will keep him there."

Finally, Lincoln incarnated a strong sense of compassion and forgiveness. As the Civil War ground down to its end, he pondered the question: How should the victorious North treat the vanquished South? Desiring to end the bloodshed and to rebuild the nation as soon as possible, Lincoln announced at the end of 1863 his policy of "Reconstruction with Amnesty."

In March 1865, the closing paragraph of his second inaugural address contained his ardent and eloquent appeal for national understanding and reconciliation. "With malice toward none: with charity for all; With firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right; Let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphans; to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and a lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations."

But so many families had lost fathers, sons and brothers in the war that most congressmen and senators were pressured by their constituents to make the rebels pay for the death and destruction that they brought upon the nation.

The only known portrait of Lincoln by a contemporary Jewish artist, this painting was done by Solomon Carvalho in 1865.

Lincoln's last public address was delivered from the front of the White House where an immense crowd had gathered. They expected to hear a triumphant "victory speech." Instead, the President announced that a day of national thanksgiving was being prepared.

The crowd was disappointed. This was not what they wanted to hear. When someone yelled, "What are you going to do with the rebel leaders?" the crowd set up a chant: "Hang them! Hang them!"

The President stood there forlorn, and disappointed. But then Lincoln's young son, Ted, aged 11, tugged on his father's sleeve and cried: No, Papa! Don't hang them. Hang onto them."

Quickly raising his hands to quiet the crowd, the President declared emphatically: "There! Tad's got it! Don't hang them! Hang onto them!" And the crowd, which had hoped to hear a call for vengeance slowly drifted away.

Lincoln knew that those who were capable of suffering were worthy of compassion.

Undoubtedly, Lincoln's personality, as well as the righteousness of the Northern cause, prompted more than 50,000 Canadians to serve as volunteers in the Northern armies at a time when Canada's population was only 3 million. Eighteen thousand of them died in the war between the states.

What did Lincoln stand for? Truth, constitutional democracy, tolerance and forgiveness.

Across the gulf of the years these attributes of mind and spirit still have the power to inspire and uplift the hearts of men and women everywhere.

Critical of government

Deport Palestinians, say protesters

By
ARNOLD AGES

JERUSALEM —

Era Rappaport and Mitchel Myers are two members of the settlement at Shilo just north of Jerusalem. (The biblical Shilo is mentioned in the Hebrew Bible as the place where the ark of the covenant was kept until the early years of the prophet Samuel.) When I met them recently on a cold Saturday afternoon in their tent opposite the Prime Minister's residence near the Knesset building in Jerusalem, they had just spent 39 days in a protest fast against what they perceive to be the Israel government's inadequate response to the intifada.

The fast was suspended for the Sabbath: Rappaport and Myers (originally from New York City and Chicago respectively) are religious Jews and for them enjoyment of the Shabbat se'udot, or meals, is de rigueur. In fact, on the afternoon I met with them in their humble tent, they offered all the guests who entered a warm place by their stove, fruit, cakes and various drinks.

The bonhomie of the encounter was contrasted, however, with the display which the Shilo settlers have placed on one of their tent walls. It contains examples of the weapons which Palestinians have used in their attempts to attack the settlers. More than a dozen lethal instruments, including pick axes, sling shots, knives and various projectiles, are presented as the grim evidence of Palestinian belligerence.

Mitchel Myers, a bearded resident of Shilo, told me (in English which, he said, he had not used in recent years) that his own son had been victimized by a Palestinian Molotov cocktail months before the intifada had begun. The school bus on which the young Myers had been riding, had been targeted by Palestinian rioters. His son barely escaped alive.

Myers and Rappaport have been participating in the protest at the Prime Minister's residence because they deplore the lack of firmness they see in Yitzhak Shamir's policies towards the Palestinians. A huge sign strung across one of their tents accuses the government, in biblical idiom, of being complicit in the shedding of Jewish blood.

I asked Rappaport and Myers why they thought the government had been reticent to take more drastic action against rioters. They replied that the government was excessively concerned with public opinion outside of Israel. They were especially critical of the government's hesitancy in defining what constitutes a lethal weapon.

Their solution to the mass demonstrations and rioting by the Palestinians is, ironically, not shooting those responsible. They expressed a view which seems to be gaining much headway among many Israelis. Anyone threatening violence against Jews, they argued, should be deported immediately, along with immediate members of the family, to Lebanon. Myers was not at all concerned with this potential violation of the Fourth Geneva Convention since deportation seemed to him to be a much more humane solution to the problem than the beatings and shootings by Israeli soldiers.

The Shilo settlers are aware that their cause is not one that is universally applauded in Israel. I noted for them that the Israeli press, with rare exception, seemed to be preaching an accommodationist stance towards the Palestinians. They responded by saying that my observation was basically correct but that the press did not reflect Israeli public opinion but rather the left-wing orientation of journalists.

How representative are Rappaport and Myers of the settler population? I asked them if it were not true that most of the latter had moved to the territories out of a desire to better their standard of living. Ideology played little or no role in their presence in the territories. Did not that group represent the overwhelming percentage of the 80,000 settlers in Judea and Samaria?

Myers turned that equation on its head and said that while there were some settlers who were there for cheap mortgages, the vast majority of the settlers were committed ideologically and religiously to their continued presence in the territories and that this was no Yamit situation. (Yamit was the town in the northern Sinai that was emptied of its Jewish residents when the Israeli-Egyptian peace accords came into place.)

I asked Myers if he could ever conceive of himself remaining in Shilo as a resident of a Palestinian state. The answer was a categorical no — with the provocative addendum that there was a problem of Arabs living in an halachic state — that is to say, a state defined according to Jewish law. When I pointed out that Israel was a political entity and not an halachic one, he conceded the point.

Before leaving the Shilo protesters, I asked Mitchel Myers what he would do if the Israeli government decided, because of circumstances, to reach an accommodation with Palestinians which included the creation of some kind of Palestinian entity.

Said Myers: "I would fight, I would protest, I would do everything within my power to stop it — short of spilling Jewish blood."

My great-aunt Bea solved a parental problem with JCC

By
ELAINE KAHN

When you grow up outside a large Jewish centre, you can become the victim of well-intentioned parental attempts to get you "into" a Jewish crowd in the nearest big city. Sort of a vaccination against intermarriage.

It can be dealt with most painlessly by sending the child to summer camp. But my parents, progenitors of a summer camp wipeout, heeded my great-aunt Bea. She arranged for me go to a dance at Toronto's then almost new north JCC with a "nice Jewish girl her age."

All I remember is that the girl was even less attractive than I was (despite my white go-go boots and tight polyester turtleneck) and that we had only two things in common. Neither of us knew anyone there and, sitting alone together all night, we were both approached by only one boy, the perfect boy, the only kind of boy who could save us from being merely The Two Stooges.

Today, of course, the JCC feels haymish to me, maybe because I stick to the cafeteria, while waiting for my children to finish their classes. The cafeteria is very casual and loud — often in several languages — with an uncommon mix of ages and backgrounds. Let alone that it's the only Jewish place where I regularly see people with physical disabilities.

That is not meant to be funny — it's well-meant. As I noticed on my last visit, the JCC manages to promote comedy perfectly well without me.

First, the sign outside the back entrance: "Please do not abuse the handicapped parking."

Okay, so you already know that parking cannot be handicapped — or even disabled. But have you ever tried to picture how one might abuse it?

What would you do? Put banana peels in the parking spaces, for the blind? Spread oatmeal around, to gum up wheelchairs? Stand there shouting "Fire!" at deaf people?

You'd have to be a sick person to even think of those things.

The late great hypochondriacal wit, Oscar Levant, thought he was a sick person, but the only thing he ever did to a parking space was put money in the meter and lie down to take a nap.

I pondered this solemnly in the cafeteria over my seventh caffeinated beverage of the day.

Subsequently, in the washroom, I saw that the JCC had availed itself of the latest marketing success story — business ads on the inside of the stall doors.

Ads for ~~jeans~~, a photographer — and then . . .

I'll be as delicate as possible. Right there, facing me on the inside of the stall door, was the question "Do you know what's in your water?."

Was I relieved to learn it was just an ad for a water conditioning system!

Opinion

Spectre of chemical warfare haunts the Mideast

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

"Chemical and biological weapons are poor man's atomic bombs and can easily be produced." — The Speaker of Iran's Parliament.

The spectre of chemical and biological warfare is haunting mankind again.

Consider these recent developments:

•Iraq has warned Israel not to attack any of its factories under the pretext that they are manufacturing chemical weapons.

•The U.S. has revealed that Iraq is developing biological weapons capable of spreading diseases such as typhoid, cholera and anthrax.

•Israel has warned Iraq through the U.S. that it will act if Baghdad continues its biological weapons program.

•Israeli Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin has warned Arab states that they face utter devastation if they attack Israel with chemical or biological arms.

•Washington has accused Libya of building a vast poison gas plant southwest of Tripoli and charged West German companies with helping the Libyans.

•The Bush administration has leaked information that Iran acquired the wherewithal to manufacture chemical weapons from a West Germany firm.

•A conference in Paris has condemned the use of chemical weapons and called for a serious effort to complete a treaty banning the development, production and possession of such weapons.

It is long overdue.

The 1925 Geneva Protocol prohibits the use of chemical weapons — but not the production and possession of chemical agents.

Since 1925, several countries have deployed chemical weapons, notably Egypt, Iraq and the Soviet Union. And dozens of nations are believed to have stockpiled supplies.

The desire to acquire chemical weapons seems irresistible. Look what happened at the Paris conference:

•The Libyan delegate asserted Libya's right to make them as long as other nations have similar devices. As he put it: "How can any members of the international community proclaim a right it denies others?"

•Arab delegates demanded that fellow delegates recognize their right to stock chemical weapons in light of Israel's presumed arsenal of nuclear weapons — a demand that was rejected.

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For all the moral indignation inspired by chemical weapons, the long and short of it is that their production is a world-wide phenomenon transcending politics and ideology.

And in the Middle East, the proliferation of chemical — and biological — weapons is becoming downright common. It's reliably reported that six countries now have the ability to wage chemical warfare — Israel, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Egypt and Libya. Three nations — Syria, Iraq and Egypt — are thought to possess biological agents. And two — Israel and Iran — supposedly have the capability to produce them.

In a recent paper for the Washington Institute For Near East Policy, Seth Carus looks at the proliferation of chemical weapons in the Middle East.

Here, in capsule form, is a country-by-country survey:

EGYPT — Egypt acquired chemical weapons in the early 1960s and used them during its intervention in the North Yemen civil war. Between 1963 and 1967, Egypt mounted 32 poison gas attacks. Curiously, the Egyptian government was never condemned, despite complaints by Saudi Arabia.

Today, Egypt is believed to be making nerve gas and possibly mustard gas. The Badr 2000 surface-to-surface missile being jointly developed by Egypt and Argentina may be intended to carry chemical munitions.

ISRAEL — The Israelis developed their capability in response to Egypt's. According to U.S. estimates, Israel had an offensive chemical warfare capability by 1973. Since then, Israel is said to have upgraded its capabilities.

Israel is the only country in the Middle East to have developed a comprehensive program to protect its civilian population from gas attacks.

IRAQ — After Egypt, Iraq was the second Arab country to actually use chemical weapons. The first confirmed use of poison gas by Iraq took place in March of 1983. The deployment of poison gas has injured more than 25,000 Iranian troops and killed some 200. However, 5,000 Iraqi Kurds died in the town of Halabja when the Iraqis used chemical weapons in a bid to dislodge Iran from its territory.

Iraq is believed to have five chemical warfare facilities producing lethal gases like Tabun (which devours body tissue and reduces a victim to a bloody pulp in hours) and Sarin (which can destroy a person's organs in a few moments).

Israeli children learn how to use gas masks. [IPPA photo]

Iraq is reportedly working on a chemical warhead for its existing surface-to-surface missile.

SYRIA — The first supplies of chemical munitions reached Damascus in 1972 via Egypt. The Soviet Union has shipped chemical defence gear to Syria.

In the past five years, Syria has expanded its chemical weapons capability. At least one West German company has supplied some of the equipment needed to set up a chemical weapons laboratory. The Soviet Union has reportedly refused to supply production facilities.

LIBYA — The construction of Libya's chemical weapons plant is the work of Japan and West Germany. Japan built a factory to manufacture aircraft bombs capable of being filled with chemical agents, while West German companies sold Libya raw chemicals.

During the civil war in Chad, Libyan planes attacked Chadian soldiers with chemical agents, but they missed their target. Iran appears to have supplied Libya.

IRAN — Iraq claims that 110 of its troops were killed by Iranian chemical attacks as the Gulf War wound down. Iran is able to manufacture limited quantities of poison gases, primarily mustard gas and probably nerve gas.

The possession of biological agents and toxins was prohibited by the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention — signed, by among others, Egypt, Syria, Iraq and Libya.

Syria, Iraq and Egypt have not ratified the agreement. It isn't clear what position Israel has taken.

Biological agents and toxins are substantially different from chemical weapons. They're living organisms that cause disease. Toxins are poisons.

Neither biological nor chemical weapons have ever been deployed in an Arab-Israeli war.

But in the future, this might not be the case.

Carus claims that Syria "may be tempted" to use chemical munitions in an attempt to overcome the disparity in conventional military power between the two countries.

Chemical weapons, he writes, could be used by Syria to strike Israeli air force bases and equipment storage facilities, thereby disrupting Israel's military activities in the opening phase of a war.

And if desperate, Syria could deploy chemical weapons against Israeli cities.

Israel has taken steps to reduce significantly the danger from chemical weapons attack.

It has acquired gear to protect soldiers and civilians; drills are conducted periodically; special efforts have been made to protect military installations.

Syria is acutely aware that Israel has the capability of hitting back with a vengeance. The Syrians realize that a chemical attack on an Israeli city would turn a limited war into a major war.

As long as Syria fails to achieve military parity with Israel, Syria is not likely to move beyond limited war and, therefore, will probably not deploy chemical weapons.

"Syria is most likely to employ chemical weapons at the start of an all-out war intended to inflict a decisive military defeat on Israel," claims Carus.

He adds that Syria's chemical weapons program is an answer to Israel's nuclear capability. "It is a guarantee against total Syrian defeat. So long as Israel has to worry about the Syrian use of chemical weapons, Damascus will not be in jeopardy. Hence, chemical weapons in essence limit Israeli freedom of action and ensure Syria against military defeat."

Solar power has put tiny Klil on the map

By
CARL ALPERT

HAIFA —

Klil is a tiny dot on the map somewhere in the Galilee Hills. One who approaches the area in which the settlement is located should not look for helpful road signs. The long appoach road is unpaved. This is deliberate. "We are a group of creative people who don't want to be disturbed by curious visitors, and we even seek to discourage them." So we were told by Stephen Fulder, formerly of Oxford, whose family is one of 21 who make their home in this out-of-the-way place.

Their desire for solitude won't help them, for whether they wish it or not, fame, of a sort, has come to Klil.

Visitors to Israel are familiar with the sun collectors which abound on more than 50% of the rooftops of the country, providing the residents with an ample supply of hot water, heated by the sun's rays. Every home in Klil has a battery of collectors, but here they do more than heat water. They contain photovoltaic cells that convert the energy of the sun into electricity which can then be stored in batteries for use at will.

Klil was founded 10 years ago, and the score of families who gathered here found that they had in common a desire to live a pioneering, life next to nature, far from the madding crowd and the various contaminations of city life. For the first eight years they managed quite well without electricity, using instead storage batteries, kerosene, candles and oil lamps. The nearest power lines were miles away, and the cost of extending them to the Galilee aeire was prohibitive. Still, there was no denying the advantage of a steady power supply, and contact was made between the settlement and the ministry of energy, which was seeking a suitable spot for experimental development of electrical energy for domestic use, drawn from the sun.

"When we decided to go into this we thought that all was well known and that we were simply buying fixed equipment that had to be installed," Fulder told us. "We found out otherwise." For the past two years they have indeed been making and using their own electricity, but the path of experimentation has been beset with difficulties. In effect, they were guinea pigs, as they faced and overcame teething problems, and the equipment was gradually improved.

The scientific side of the experiment must be left to the sceintists to explain. In brief, Israel has an average of 850-950 watts of solar radiation per square metre when the sun is shining. The highest anywhere in the world is 1,100 watts. The energy in the sun's rays is converted into electricity through a thin wafer of silicon which is placed in a frame with up to 40 other photovoltaic cells, covered with weatherproof plastic. The electricity created is only 12 volts DC, but an inverter changes it into the 220 volts AC which is standard for domestic use in Israel.

Is the power supply adequate? In the summer, yes, but on the cloudy days of winter the settlers have to economize. There is enough juice for illumination, radio, television and washing machines, though many of the families run their refrigerators on bottled gas. For winter heating many burn wood. "People lived before electrical refrigeration," Yael Roseman, a professional writer told us, "and we got along too. We like this kind of life, and we're willing to pay a price for it." They do have telephone contact with the outside world.

Dan Schreier, an American from Los Angeles, put it even more bluntly. "We decided that if we're going to live in Israel then we might as well go whole hog and live a real pioneering life. This is the best place of all to raise children — next to nature and unspoiled by city life." His youngsters 12, 11, 7 and 3. All the children at Klil, and there are many, are taken to schools daily in nearby towns.

Mike Silverman, formerly of New York, noted that almost all the residents are college graduates. "We have not come here looking for economic success," he said. "We would have remained in the city for that. What we want is a quiet life." He has a wife and four daughters.

The villagers follow many occupations. Schreier is a farmer, raising herbs. There are also a musician, a sculptor, an architect, a computer programmer, practitioners of alternative medicine, a plant medicine scientist, a writer, etc. Most of the settlers raise their own vegetables.

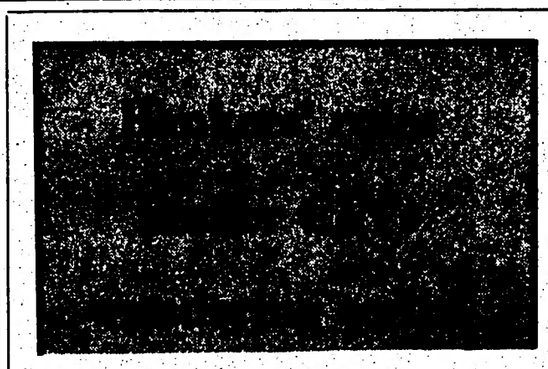
Four of the families are observant Jews.

This is a private village, not a kibbutz, and each family has its own private home, its own domestic economy. In most cases the land was purchased from local Druze owners. There is plenty of land around, but most of the settlers are not interested in having more neighbors — not yet. "We believe in organic growth, slowly, to preserve our secure, warm, congenial community," one said.

In the meantime, the ministry of energy continues its careful study and observations of the experiment, comparing results with similar efforts being made in Europe. The Israel Electric Co. set up a pilot plant in the Negev to produce electricity, but a desert wind blew the whole installation away. Paz, Israel's largest oil company, is engaged in a series of test installations at Sde Boker.

But the score of families at Klil are true pioneers. Even when things sometimes go wrong, they have only to recall how they did get along during those many years when they had no electricity at all.

Opinion



Editor's note — Our wandering scribe, JB, reports from Florida that while the weather is great, he wants to come home. His big beef: the limitation by banks on the amount of travellers' checks you can cash in a day. One bank limited him to $100 per day; another, more generously, allowed him $200. But he had to provide so much documentation (including a passport) to prove he was actually JB, that he's getting fed up — and especially with the long lineups at the banks.

J. B. Salsberg

JB reports that on the plane down, he was besieged by readers who are asking for larger type in The CJN, to make it easier to read, and for "more space between the lines." He'll campaign for this when he gets back to Canada.

But, he adds, the paper is very popular with both Canadian and American readers in Florida — "they call it the best Jewish newspaper in North America."

Rabbi laments holiday's trivialization

Tu B'Shevat's ancient roots recalled

RABBI WILFRED SHUCHAT, of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, Montreal, has a suggestion for a new way to celebrate Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees.

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I recently had occasion to spend Tu B'Shevat, the 15th day of Shevat, in Israel. As the New Year of Trees it is celebrated in Israel in a way not too differently from the Diaspora, The forms involve planting trees and partaking of new fruits, particularly fruits from Israel, eaten for the first time this year, in order to recite the blessing of She'cheyanu — thanking God for having reached the season.

In Israel the commemoration is a little more accentuated because in a Jewish National Fund forest you have an opportunity to engage in real tree planting. The only new observance that I encountered was called Seder Tu B'Shevat. This seder, conducted either at a private home or in an organizational setting, consists of a social gathering, where 15 different types of fruit are served after which the evening is spent in song. It is called "leil shira" — an evening of song.

With all these niceties happening, it nonetheless remains a fact that Tu B'Shevat, both in Israel and in the Diaspora, has been trivialized and is observed in a way that can only be described as superficial.

What a difference between the platitudes that I have described and what Tu B'Shevat used to be in ancient times. The main Mishnaic source of Tu B'Shevat describes it as the date by which the tithes for fruit trees had to be paid. If the tithe had been paid one was then permitted to eat the fruit of those trees and rejoice in them. Without the payment of the tithes, the fruit could not be eaten in a permitted state.

Trees' new year could be "charity day"

In order to make the comparison more vivid it would have to be compared to April 30 in Canada, by which time income tax has to be paid or arrangements made to avoid a penalty. In the United States the date is April 15. In ancient Israel, the date — at least for the fruit products — was the 15 day of Shevat.

That is why it is called Rosh Hashanah L'Ilanot — the New Year of Trees. It is a Day of Judgment, not for the trees of course, but for the owner of the trees in relationship to his spiritual obligations.

If I had my way and could influence others, I would observe Tu B'Shevat as the great charity day in the Jewish calendar. I would even give it a name — Yom Hatzedaka Hagedolah or if the emphasis is on the day — Yom Hatzedaka Hagadol. By that date all pledges to all charities and all forms of giving would have to be paid. Those who were paid up and in good standing would have a right to celebrate and eat fruits, etc. Only they should have that right.

If I were head of a philanthropic institution the possibilities for such programming would be endless. I also think it would be accepted by the Jewish public, so generous by nature, as something appropriate and worthwhile.

After all, Judaism is a religion of duties and obligations. We have to fulfil our obligations. That comes before rejoicing. But when the obligations are fulfilled, let the rejoicing be unconfined.

I would keep everything now associated with Tu B'Shevat — planting of trees, eating of fruits, etc. But all these things to take place after the fulfilment of our obligations, in celebration of the great Tzedaka Day of the Jewish calendar.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 200 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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ISRAELI RESENTS CANUCK POLL

As an Israeli, I'd like to respond to the Jan. 26 mini-poll ad in The CJN in which Canadian Friends of Peace Now posed the question: "Should Israel negotiate with the PLO? Vote Yes or No."

Doesn't it seem an odd question to ask of Jews living in Canada? I also suggest you ask them the following:

- Should Israel further devaluate the shekel?
- Should further cuts be made in Israeli subsidies of food staples?
- Should Israel increase or decrease its education budget?

I would think (and please correct me if I'm wrong) that such questions can only be answered by Israel's residents, because these issues affect their daily lives.

A third box should have been added for all the Canadian Jewish armchair critics of Israeli policy: "I vote to stay in Canada. Answer Yes or No."

Dr. Harold Bergstein
Jerusalem

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G-D BLESS THE CR-T-R?

Re the current controversy about omitting the "o" when referring to God:

A friend told me of a woman who, as part of the koshering process, cut off a piece of the roast and set it aside, not to be cooked.

When asked why, she said, "Because my buby always did."

Her grandmother later confessed she did this, not as a holy ritual, but because her roasting pot would not accommodate a full-sized brisket.

I fear the reader who demanded that The CJN use "G-d" is in the same category as the granddaughter.

Your reader has forgotten that the "name" which the Eternal gave to Moses when speaking to the Israelites is shrouded in mystery about its exact meaning.

Also, it is a name for the slaves to hear and not the Divine's actual name.

The Creator of this vast universe doesn't need a name. We humans need appellations to use in our prayers of thanksgiving to the Almighty. You and I have names; God *is*.

Now, to be consistent, the references I used in the above sentences should be spelled "D-y-ne" and "Cr-t-r" and "Et-rn-l" and "Almghty;" for these are also names of God.

Rather than cut off part of the roast, without knowing why, I suggest your super-religious reader should re-read Exodus in the Bible.

Ray Havelock
Toronto

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DOGS OR HUMANS BLOWN UP?

Re the Jan. 19 letter from Rudi Brunnel headed "Deplores booby-trapped dogs":

I just returned from Israel where I met my old friend, Yosef Santar, national chairman of the Israel Humane Society.

Santar told me, that hundreds of stray dogs and cats are "put to sleep" weekly at great cost to the society, but not before the army and border police select a number of suitable dogs every week.

These dogs are trained, well fed, and used on army patrol duties.

It happens that some dogs are sent on special assignments to minefields in the Golan and Upper Galilee, and they perish.

How would you like, bleeding-heart Rudi Brunnell, to pack some explosives on your own back, walk into a minefield, and be blown to smithereens? Instead of a dog.

George Prager
Toronto

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IRONY OF ISRAEL TOURISM

While in Israel in December, we saw empty restaurants, empty hotels and tourist attractions without many tourists.

This situation is having a ripple effect on an already strained Israeli economy.

The ironic good news is that non-Jewish Europeans continue to flock to Israel in large numbers. Everywhere we travelled, we met Swedes, Germans, Swiss.

They seem enthralled with Israel. Many told us they would continue to come, despite all the bad news in the media.

For some strange reason, North American Jews don't seem as confident. In 1988, North American Jewish tours to Israel were cancelled like falling dominoes.

This fact was not lost upon the leaders of the intifada. The rocks being thrown on the West Bank had reached many targets in North America with a message — stay away!

This abandonment of Israel must end. We address all your readers: If you're planning a trip in 1989, consider Israel seriously.

Throw a "rock" back at the intifada. Show Israel it hasn't been abandoned by its fellow Jews.

Brian and Simmi Kleinberg
Thornhill, Ont.

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CORRECTION IN HAMILTON HEAD

May I make a correction?

The Jan. 19 headline, "Hamilton shul hopes to establish group home," gave the erroneous impression that a congregation is about to establish a group home here.

Beth Tikvah is the name of an organization formed specifically to set up a group home for developmentally handicapped adults. The home — for which, incidentally, a house was recently purchased — will also be known as Beth Tikvah.

There was nothing in my story to suggest that any of the Hamilton synagogues were in any way connected with it, and it certainly confused quite a few people in Hamilton.

Moura Wolpert
Hamilton, Ont.

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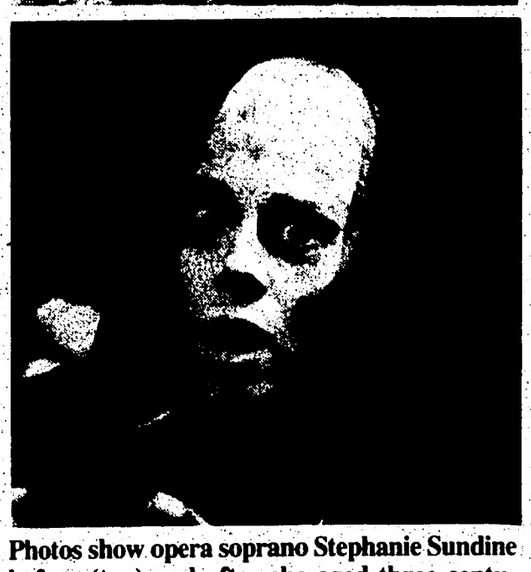

Photos show opera soprano Stephanie Sundine before (top) and after she aged three centuries in The Makropulos Case.

SHE AGES THREE CENTURIES

I was fascinated to read Frank Rasky's Feb. 2 review of *The Makropulos Case* headed "A 337-year-old heroine is the star of this odd opera."

He writes that the 3rd act ends with soprano Stephanie Sundine being transformed from a beautiful Snow Queen into a ghoulish old crone. "Then, amid billowing smoke," he says, "her withered body appears to crumple before our eyes and dissolve into a heap of rags."

I'm curious to know how this miraculous transformation, adding three centuries of age to the singer, was accomplished. And how did she manage to vanish in a puff of smoke? Can you illustrate this aging process with photos?

Rebecca Levine
Toronto

Frank Rasky replies: Yes, we can, as the accompanying "before" and "after" pictures indicate. The aging process was accomplished by adroit use of makeup. As for her vanishing act, it was done with a lot of ingenious lighting and smoke — and a little stage magic.

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ANOTHER "RETARD" PROTESTOR

I'd like to add my voice to the clamor of indignation over Sheldon Kirshner's ill-informed use of the word "retard" in his Jan. 5 film review of *Rain Man*.

Kirshner may — or may not — be a competent writer and movie critic. However, he is totally lacking in knowledge regarding individuals who have mental handicaps. His comments do not properly belong in any Canadian (or Jewish) newspaper.

I would suggest that Kirshner contact the Reena Foundation for some current literature.

Kirshner owes an apology to all people who have a mental handicap.

Hilary Ingre
White Rock, BC

Sheldon Kirshner replies: The word "retard" was taken from one of the characters in the film and should have been enclosed by quotation marks. Gremlins were obviously at work. I apologize to all those whom I may have offended. It was not my intention to upset anyone.

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GLICK'S MUSIC A "JEWEL"

Allow me to add to Ibolia Grossman's Feb. 2 article about Toronto's Holocaust Education and Memorial Centre in the Lipa Green Building.

Lorne Greene did indeed narrate for a fee a 28-minute documentary about the centre. But the jewel of that show is the beautiful and moving music composed, arranged and produced by Srul Irving Glick.

Gerda Frieberg
Toronto

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DON'T POOH-POOH MASSAGES

Congratulations to Paul Lungen for his accurate Jan. 12 article about my work headed, "Massage therapist available to Orthodox."

Many people, laymen and professionals alike, continue to pooh-pooh medical alternatives such as massage therapy, which is anything but "just a body rub."

Those of us who work in these areas have many good stories to tell about people we have helped when nothing else could give them relief.

I was proud of the way Lungen brought this out.

Jerry Brodie
Toronto

World-National

Peace activist says CBC caved in to Jewish community

Mate filing complaint over TV show discussion

VANCOUVER —

A Jewish freelance journalist critical of Israel who was dropped as a panelist from a CBC TV program on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is filing a complaint to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission and the CBC.

Dr. Gabor Mate, spokesman for a Vancouver group called Jews for A Just Peace, was told on the day of taping the program would be using another panelist.

He claimed the CBC gave in to "pressure" in removing him as a panelist.

On the day of the taping, Mate said he was called by the show's producer, Tom Creighton, and told that, "if you appeared on the show, the rest of the panelists from the Jewish community would not appear nor would any members of the community come and participate as an audience member."

Creighton said that "there was no pressure from the Jewish community. We were trying to achieve a balance between the two sides. There were other people invited to be on the panel that eventually were not on it. You fine-tune these things to the last minute and the final judgment and responsibility for selecting the panel rests with me. I felt that we dealt with Dr. Mate very fairly."

Erwin Nest, executive director of the Pacific Region of Canadian Jewish Congress, said: "I know perfectly well what happened with Gabor Mate. I was the one who negotiated on behalf of the organized Jewish community with the producer of the show and I was the one who called the CBC and said that if Dr. Mate went on the show as a panelist the Jewish community would not appear."

"Mate is representing views which are not regarded as the views of any particular dissent group within the Jewish community," continued Nest. "The mainstream Jewish community does not consider Jews For A Just Peace as a dissent group, it considers the group as a proponent of the hardline PLO approach."

Nest added he believed Mate to be "a self-proclaimed anti-Zionist" who should not have participated on the Jewish side of the panel unless he was balanced on the other side by a Palestinian who opposed the PLO or a Palestinian state.

"The decision had nothing to do with Mate personally," said Creighton. And as far as Creighton's phone conversation with Mate informing him of the change, Creighton said he told Mate "it seemed to me that the Jewish community as well as other people I talked to didn't feel that his point of view was representative of a tremendous amount of people and that he was basically a fringe element."

"I told him that what we decided to do was basically go three for and three against and have the fringe elements in the audience," continued Creighton. "And I would very much like you to be in the audience," he told Mate.

Mate stated that the kind of balance the CBC was trying to achieve is incorrect. "The situation is not just one of Jews versus Palestinians. Jewish opinion is not united on this issue. In Israel there is a large peace movement and in North America prominent Jewish leaders have spoken out for peace. We represent the minority view and that is not foreign to Jewish or Zionist tradition."

Nest said the Jewish community had other objections to the program and the way it was researched.

"The approach was rather sensationalist. One would expect the CBC to treat this issue with the utmost skill and expertise. I don't consider a phone call to the Canadian Jewish Congress or any official organization of the Jewish community five days before the show is to be taped as a serious approach."

The show was taped with Rabbi Wilfred Solomon of Congregation Beth Israel, UBC Prof. Werner Cohen, and Israeli Prof. Michael Ashkenazy from Calgary who is in Canada as part of the Canada-Israel academic exchange program representing the Jewish position.

The Palestinians were represented by Abdullah Abdullah, director of the Palestinian Information Office in Ottawa; Hanna Kowas, of the Canadian Palestinian Association; and Emil Nucho of the Arab Anti - discrimination League.

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German group upset over lawyer's behavior

Action sparks complaint

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The Canadian German Congress has lodged a complaint with the Manitoba Law Society against Winnipeg lawyer Manly Israel and is demanding an apology from him for an incident that occurred in a Winnipeg courtroom last September. Israel however feels he has done enough apologizing already.

The incident occurred during a jury trial in which Israel, a lawyer with 36 years' experience, was counsel for one of three men accused of extortion. The complainant, a small contractor named Adolph Meinzer with a German accent, had accused the defendants of extortion and assault.

"Each of the accused had a different lawyer," Israel explained. "I had cross-examined Mr. Meinzer the day before. One of my colleagues was having an argument with Meinzer, who was on the witness stand, about the number of businesses he owned.

"He (Meinzer) began to get out of hand. His voice got louder and louder until he was screaming and banging his fists. For some reason, he singled me out by name saying that he was waging a war against the banks, that he was going through his own holocaust."

Israel's response was to half rise, utter a "sieg heil" and give a Nazi arm salute.

While Israel lost many relatives in the Holocaust, he says he has no prejudice against Germans. "It was just something I did in the heat of the moment," he said.

Israel's actions evoked an immediate rebuke from the judge — even though one of the other defence attorneys got up and pointed out he (Israel) had been singled out and provoked — and both Israel and Meinzer apologized to each other.

"The rest of the morning was uneventful," Israel recalled. "Then, in the afternoon, the crown prosecutor stood up and demanded we apologize again" because the jury had been sent out after the incident in the morning "and hadn't heard the apologies. So we apologized again and that was the end of it."

However, on leaving the courthouse at the end of the day, a reporter for a local radio station came up and asked Israel if he would have apologized if he hadn't been ordered to. Israel replied that he hadn't thought about it. The story was subsequently broadcast over the radio and ran in The Winnipeg Sun.

"There seems to be a campaign against me now," said Israel. First, a group of German professionals contacted the Law Society of Manitoba. Israel apologized in a letter. Then Meinzer, his wife and daughter sent him a letter. He had to reply to that.

"Now this German-Canadian Congress is getting into the act," he said. "I told them to refer to my previous letters. How many times do I have to apologize?"

The issue is now before the Law Society.

Grandchildren of victims to have special Austria trip

NEW YORK (JTA) —

The Jewish Welcome Service of Vienna is sponsoring an April visit to Austria for grandchildren of former Austrians who fled Nazi persecution.

The free program is the brainchild of Holocaust survivor Leon Zelman of Vienna, who has devoted his life to preserving the memory of the Eastern European Jewish culture.

Applicants must be over the age of 16. They will be hosted by families, most of them living in Vienna, for a 10-day stay. Flights are being scheduled to accommodate Passover observance and will leave April 3, 6, 9 and 10.

The visitors will fly on Austrian Airlines, which has donated its service on the occasion of the inauguration of a new flight route from Vienna to New York.

Zelman, born in Lodz, Poland, in 1926, survived the Lodz ghetto and the concentration camps of Auschwitz, Mauthausen and Ebensee.

In 1984, he organized an exhibit in Vienna, Disappeared World, and a symposium, The World of Yesterday.

Zelman is planning to host a seder for those on the April 9 and 10 flights.

Deadline for applications is Feb. 28. The tour is being offered to 100 participants. Send applications to Susi Schneier, U.S. Representative, Jewish Welcome Service of Vienna, 63 Emerson Ave., Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520; (914) 271-9559.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

1. Which great American Yiddish novelist and writer won the Nobel prize in 1978?
2. Which Hungarian Jewish athlete won four gold and two silver medals at Melbourne Olympics in 1965?
3. Who won Olympic gold medals in three consecutive Olympic games?

Edmond Y. Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

1. Isaac Bashevis Singer.
2. Agnes Keleti in gymnastics.
3. Dr. Jeno Fuchs of Hungary, in fencing.

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These questions and answers came from the book 6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People by Edmond Y. Lipsitz, published by JESL Educational Products.

Crops damaged

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Below freezing temperatures have caused crop damage estimated in the millions of dollars all over Israel.

In parts of Galilee, the Negev and the Jordan Valley, the thermometer hovered between 28 and 30 degrees F, cold enough to destroy such delicate crops as bananas, mangoes, peppers and tomatoes.

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Executive officers elected at annual meeting

CJC Pacific Region picks Elterman as chairman

By PAUL LUNGEN

VANCOUVER — Dr. Michael Elterman has been elected chairman of the Pacific Region of Canadian Jewish Congress, succeeding Dr. Robert Krell for a 3-year term of office.

Other executive officers elected at the Pacific Region's recent annual meeting include Daniel Shmilovitch, Marvin Stark and Renee Bellas as vice-chairmen, Ronnie Tessler as secretary, Eddie Rozenberg as treasurer and Krell as national vice-president.

In his final address as chairman, Krell noted that

Dr. Michael Elterman

Congress had made "structural changes anticipating the future" and developed leadership, pointing to standing committees that involve 180 people in Congress matters.

Elterman, the incoming chairman, was winner of the Young Leadership Award in 1987, Krell noted.

Looking ahead to the 1990s, Krell said Congress will be "examining its role. The largest communities have powerful federations and so will we. While cooperating fully to achieve primarily similar objectives, we must ensure that CJC retains the autonomy necessary to tackle the issue of great concern to the Jewish community unfetterered by demands from individuals with great personal or financial clout."

Krell ended his address by expressing his satisfaction at leaving behind "a well structured administration. Other organizations call our offices asking how Congress is organized, for they wish to copy our structure and our success for their constituents," he stated.

In a report to the annual meeting on the work of the small communities committee, chairman Daniel Shmilovitch said the committee's "main objective is to assess the needs of new and older outlying communities in British Columbia with regard to leadership development of volunteers and the training of community workers."

Local volunteers are then able to assist each community to develope its full potential, he said.

One of the committee's major projects in recent years has been a "computer link-up," Shmilovitch said. Congress is pioneering a new system to provide communications and eliminate community isolation.

"The computer network was established to provide fast, dependable communiction and access to Jewish educational programs, and information for isolated, small Jewish communities" in the province.

The programs, he stated, allow for "fast and regular access to Jewish educational materials in locations other that the immediate community; events information exchanges with other communities; (and) assistance on problem solving from other small and large communities."

The committee, he concluded, succeeded in bridging a gap between small communities and larger Jewish centres while developing its own uniqueness and self-reliance.

In other reports, Dr. Graham Forst and Krell, wearing his other hat as co-chairman of the standing committee, on the Holocaust, noted an increasing demand from B.C. schools for "Holocaust education."

Two symposia on the Holocaust were held during 1988 for secondary school students. A 1986 symposium at the University of British Columbia attracted 1,400 students, they reported.

Other programs included "outreach", to smaller centres, where a David Ehrlich, a Holocaust survivor who experienced the "death march" from Auschwitz, described his experiences to students at a Port Moody secondary school.

Other reports to the annual meeting documented the activities of the Soviet Jewry committee. Chairman Rita Cohn said the committee had expanded its activities to publicize the plight of Soviet Jews. Among the programs were a Refusenik children's art show and a concert.

Elterman, chairman of the joint community relations committee, reported on the work of the Jewish parliamentary affairs committee, which meets regularly with about 20 MPs to discuss issues of concern to the Jewish community. These included Soviet Jewry, hate literature and acting on war crimes legislation.

The political liaison committee, headed by Bernard Pinsky, meets with provincial legislators, including Premier William Vander Zalm and the attorney general to discuss other issues.

Toronto Liberal criticizes Clark

OTTAWA — Toronto Liberal MP Joseph Volpe last week called on External Affairs Minister Joe Clark to reject a reported shift in policy towards the PLO, attributed to his department in a CBC National news item (CJN Feb. 9).

Joseph Volpe

"This initiative, if undertaken, will be an effrontery to carefully established relations with a friend and ally in the Middle East," Volpe said. "It would be a totally gratuitous act whose impact on the peace process is at best suspect, if not in fact actually harmful."

Volpe called the reported "change of direction... disturbingly ill-timed and likely counterproductive."

The CBC news report indicated that senior bureaucrats in the department of external affairs, including Canada's UN ambassador Yves Fortier, had recommended to Clark that Canada upgrade talks with the PLO to ambassadorial and ministerial levels from the present junior levels.

The recommendations, which were reportedly passed on to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, also called on a change from Canada's "pro-Israel" tilt.

An external affairs spokesman called the CBC report "entirely speculative," adding Canada's policy had not changed.

Syrkin dies

NEW YORK (JTA) — **Marie Syrkin, an author, lecturer, biographer of Golda Meir and a leading figure in the Labor Zionist movement for more than 60 years, has died in Santa Monica, Calif. at 89.**

A gifted speaker and prolific writer, Syrkin wrote three volumes on the life and work of Golda Meir, the only woman Prime Minister of Israel, with whom she was closely associated.

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Israel launches PR offensive

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The foreign ministry has launched a coordinated diplomatic and public relations offensive to persuade the Bush administration and the U.S. public that last week's foiled terrorist attack in Lebanon should put an end to the U.S.-PLO dialogue.

Sources in Jerusalem said that proof of the terrorists' intention to infiltrate into Israel and to carry out a terrorist attack here was recovered from the bodies of the five terrorists who were intercepted and killed by Israeli troops in the South Lebanon security zone, and that this proof will be submitted to administration officials.

The evidence reportedly includes maps, written leaflets and other material.

Elated by official PLO admission of responsibility for the mission of the combined Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-Front for Palestinian Liberation squad, officials in Jerusalem have instructed the embassy in Washington and consulates in the U.S. to enlist the help of Jewish organizations and pro-Israeli lobbyists in mounting the campaign.

The Israeli message will try to convince officials, congressmen and the public at large that Yasser Arafat has no intention of renouncing terror, and that even if he did, the realities of the PLO's internal politics have since caused him to renege on his commitment.

"The conditions as they were set forth by the state department have been clearly and unequivocally violated," Foreign Minister Moshe Arens said in a speech in Jerusalem before the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

"I presume that in Washington they also noticed what happened, but in case somebody there may not have noticed, we will draw his attention to it." Arens said.

The foreign minister was expected to raise the matter with U.S. Ambassador William Brown.

The incident is "a clear violation of the conditions the United States established for contact with the PLO," Arens told members of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

Arens, addressing the conference's annual mission to Israel, said he was "aghast to see the world's leaders lining up to pay homage" to PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

Saying that the PLO has been "responsible for the worst atrocities the world has seen since World War II," the foreign minister said the international sympathy now being accorded the organization is "incomprehensible to me.

"Twenty-five years of atrocities seem to have been erased from people's memories," he said.

Turning to the peace process, Arens repeated his Likud bloc's long-held contention that the Palestinians already have a state in Jordan.

"We have to the east of us a Palestinian state in all but name," he said, noting that 60% of Jordanian Palestinians originate from west of the Jordan River.

But the foreign minister also acknowledged that the Palestinians living in the territories have "ambitions, aspirations. They have to be addressed."

Israeli officials said the statement of PLO spokesmen in Tunis and London, which accepted responsibility for the attack, made Israel's job much easier. While Israel and the U.S. had bickered at the time over the inclusion of the intifada in the U.S. definition of terrorism, they added, there had been no disagreements that attacks from Lebanon constituted terrorism.

The officials added that the PLO statements also meant that Israel now did not have to persuade the administration that Arafat should be held responsible for the actions of George Habash's PFLP.

Nonetheless, well-placed officials here said that the administration should not be expected to change its policy towards the PLO at this time. Without a successful terrorist operation, the sources noted wryly, it would be difficult to galvanize U.S. public opinion against the American dialogue with the PLO.

"But this is definitely a significant chink in the PLO armor of moderation," one official said.

U.S. voices concerns on attempted PLO raid

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

The state department said last week that a recent attempt by armed Palestinians to infiltrate Israel from Lebanon would have a "negative impact" on the U.S. dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

But Charles Redman, the department spokesman, refused to say whether the United States considered this a violation of the PLO promise not to engage in acts of terrorism.

Meanwhile the U.S. diplomat authorized to talk to the PLO expressed "serious concern" to the group's representative in Tunis over the raid.

The U.S. and Israel have linked the infiltrators to two radical factions under the PLO umbrella.

Redman said the U.S. ambassador to Tunisia, Robert Pelletreau, "raised our serious concern over the incident in southern Lebanon."

Pelletreau met with Hakam Balaaoui, the PLO's representative in Tunis, whom he has met with previously.

Redman would not divulge other details of the meeting, such as the possibility of a U.S. threat to terminate the 2-month-old dialogue should further PLO terrorist incidents occur.

As well, Moshe Arad, the Israeli ambassador, raised the matter at a meeting with Secretary of State James Baker.

In a related development, the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations asked Baker to "promptly and thoroughly" reassess the policy of holding substantive talks with the PLO.

The attempted infiltration on Feb. 5 was made by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and the Front for Palestinian Liberation.

Five Palestinians were killed in the encounter, while four escaped. There were no Israeli casualties.

In his briefing Redman said that the U.S. position is that "we hold the PLO responsible for the acts of its constituent elements."

But he refused to define how the United States will make a judgment on whether the PLO has broken its pledge. Redman said each incident will be judged on a case-by-case basis.

The PLO has maintained that acts against Israeli soldiers or within Israel itself are not terrorism.

"An incident of terrorism is terrorism wherever it occurs," Redman said.

He also agreed with a statement by former Secretary of State George Shultz, at a luncheon at the Washington Post recently, that "when we said an end of terrorism, we mean an end of terrorism."

Peace desire authentic, Palestinian lawyer says

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

The Palestinians are serious about living in peace with Israel and therefore the Israeli government should be prepared to negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization, a prominent Arab attorney told a high-level delegation of American Jewish leaders here last week.

"This people has decided that it wants to be free, that it is prepared to pay the price, but that it is also ready for compromise," Jonathan Kuttab told the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

"It is in Israel's own interests to jump at this historic opportunity, because if they don't, I'm afraid the consequences are going to be tragic, frankly, for both of our peoples," he said.

Kuttab, who has defended Palestinians in the territories and has emerged as a prominent spokesman for the Palestinians, tried to convince the American Jewish leaders that Israel should negotiate with the PLO.

"You must negotiate with a person who has the power of attorney, who has the authority to negotiate," he said. "Like it or not, the reality is that only the PLO speaks for the Palestinian population — nobody else does.

"We want to disabuse you of the notion that somehow you can find the non-Palestinian Palestinian to talk to you," he added.

What the Palestinians are calling for, he said, is a 2-state solution: a Palestinian state roughly in the territories that were occupied in 1967, living side by side with the State of Israel.

"If any of you doubt this is a major concession on the part of the Palestinians, I think you should reconsider," Kuttab said. "We are willing and ready to compromise 80% of the land west of the Jordan River."

Poll shows opinion shift regarding talks with PLO

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

A public opinion poll conducted last month indicates a slight swing toward moderation on the future of the territories and the Palestinians.

The survey was conducted by Prof. Eliyahu Katz, director of the Institute for Applied Social Research.

It found that 30% of Israelis now support negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization, up from 13% in 1978.

The difference was attributed to PLO chief Yasser Arafat's recognition of Israel and renunciation of terrorism before the United Nations in Geneva, Dec. 14.

According to the poll, 35% of Israelis are unalterably opposed to relinquishing any part of the territories, compared to 45% in March 1987.

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Moscow culture centre's opening signals new era

NEW YORK (JTA) —

The opening of a Jewish cultural centre in Moscow last Sunday night was preceded by a flurry of statements by Soviet officials, signifying the lifting of decades-old restrictions on the expression of Jewish culture and the granting of official legitimacy to a viable Jewish life in the Soviet Union.

The centre, the first in the Soviet Union since the days of Josef Stalin, was attended by delegates from around the world, including Soviet ambassadors from the United States, Britain, Canada, France and Australia, as well as a group of Israeli diplomats.

"This is the beginning of a great new era," Edgar Bronfman, head of the World Jewish Congress, was reported as saying by The Toronto Star. "Let the word go forth that there will now be a revival of Jewish culture in the Soviet Union.

"We must celebrate the policies of President (Mikhail) Gorbachev and his regime, which have helped make this possible."

Vernon Turner, Canada's ambassador to Moscow, told the audience Canadians hoped similar Jewish centres would soon be built around the Soviet Union.

"On behalf of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark, we would like to express our wish that this centre will stand as a monument to the vitality of Jewish culture and its benefits to world culture and all mankind," he was reported as saying by the Star's Moscow correspondent Stephen Handelman.

The most politically noteworthy message came from Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"The revival of the culture of the Jewish people is a sign of progress in the Soviet Union," Shamir said in a telegram read in Hebrew by Aryeh Levin, head of the Israeli consular delegation to Moscow.

"We hope that the Jewish community of the Soviet Union will soon be free to take its place among the world Jewish community."

The Solomon Mikhoels Centre, most recently a movie theatre near the heart of Moscow, was addressed by Bronfman, president of the World Jewish Congress, and Nobel Peace laureate Elie Wiesel.

The theatre was originally the Moscow Yiddish State Theater, of which Mikhoels was director.

There was no formal greeting from the Soviet government, although a member of the foreign ministry's humanitarian affairs department and a member of the cultural ministry did attend the opening ceremonies.

Nevertheless, the last week saw again a change in how the Soviet Union is facing up to its past.

Recently, two Soviet historians denounced Soviet anti-Zionist campaigning of the last 20 years, comparing it with Nazi anti-semitism.

Sergei Rogov, who used to be a diplomat at the Soviet embassy in Washington, and Valdimir Nosenko wrote an attack on this official anti-semitism, saying it helped create the climate in which thousands of Jews have sought to emigrate.

In an article appearing in the newspaper Soviet Culture, Rogov and Nosenko said a leading anti-Zionist, Vladimir Begun, established the tone of government propaganda by seeking "to show mistrust toward Soviet Jews."

The historians also cited a virulent anti-semitic article that was published in December in a reactionary journal, Nash Sovremennik. In writing this, they showed that the problem of anti-semitism remains strong even under Mikhail Gorbachev.

In another display of the lifting of restrictions in the Soviet Union, Soviet authorities signed an unprecedented agreement this month with New York-based Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, which will permit Soviet Jewish cultural activists for the first time to accept grants from a Jewish foundation in the West.

Four initial grants have been approved. One goes to Mikhail Gluz, artistic director of the Jewish Musical Theater of Moscow, to write an original opera based on the life of Bar Kochba, the 2nd-century Jewish hero.

In addition, grants will enable Cantor Vladimir Pliss of Moscow's Choral Synagogue to study in Israel; Zev Kuravsky, a teacher of Judaic studies at the synagogue, to study advanced Talmud in Brooklyn; and a Moscow Jewish cultural activist to study museum curatorship at a Jewish museum in the United States.

Also last week, Moscow news broadcast that the Soviet Supreme Court had voted in 1955 to rehabilitate the reputations of the members of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee of the Soviet Union, most of whom were imprisoned and/or shot under Stalin's orders.

This was the first time the crimes committed against these Jews was publicly acknowledged by Soviet authorities.

The report, which was reprinted the following day in Pravda, said, "A check carried out in 1955 established that the charges against the members of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee were fabricated.

"The USSR Supreme Court on 22nd November 1955 examined the USSR Procurator-General's conclusions on the so-called Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee case and annulled the sentences against all those convicted in this case."

The Soviet report also says that committee members Solomon Lazovsky, Itzik Feffer, I.S. Yusefovitch, Leyb Kvitko, Peretz Markish, E. I. Teumin, S. L. Bregman (posthumously) and Lina Stern were reinstated in the Communist Party.

The Anti-Fascist Committee, which was formed under government auspices during World War II to garner Jewish support for the Soviets against Nazi Germany, was disbanded in 1948, under Stalin's orders.

The chairman of that committee was famed Yiddish actor Solomon Mikhoels.

Mikhoels was killed in a traffic accident while on official business in Minsk in February 1948, an accident set up by the Soviet secret police.

Twenty-five committee members were charged in a secret trial in 1952 of conspiring to separate the Crimea from the Soviet Union, in order to convert it into a Jewish bourgeois republic that would be a military base for enemies of the Soviet Union.

Their executions in the basement of Lubianka Prison on Aug. 12, 1952, came to be known as The Night of the Murdered Poets.

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U.S. leaders express doubts about conference

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munities and organizations to attend.

Gur expressed the hope "that the resolution that comes out of this conference is close to the resolution adopted in early January by the Knesset, in response to the changes in the PLO's position. The resolution, which had the support of the entire coalition — 95 (out of 120) Knesset members — contains an opening towards peace negotiations.

This resolution maintains that the PLO is still not a legitimate partner for any kind of talks, and rules out a Palestinian state. It does not, however, spell out what kind of permanent territorial-political solution is envisaged for the Palestinians.

Gur would like to see a confederation emerge between Israel, Jordan and the Palestinians — he is careful to say "Palestinians" and not PLO. But he also supports the current dialogue between the U.S. and the PLO, which he believes can clarify the issues and positions that will eventually be raised in talks with Israel.

The Likud, however, is bitterly opposed to this dialogue, and tends to see autonomy as a way of maintaining control over "the Whole Land of Israel."

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Which interpretation will be offered to the delegates to the solidarity conference? Gur shrugs this off by saying "we won't attempt to dictate to world Jewry."

As evidence of the flexible approach to be adopted, he mentions his recent visit to France, where he invited former French minister Simone Weil to join the conference steering committee. "I know that she and some other French Jewish leaders want Israel to talk to the PLO. I told her that she is welcome to come here and express her views."

Some members of the Presidents Conference delegation expressed doubts about the solidarity conference. First of all, they did not understand why they and other Jewish leaders who are holding meetings in Israel this month should shlep back across the Atlantic for another round of field trips and "top-level briefings" next month.

"Shamir will fall flat on his face," said one leader, who asked not to be quoted. "I doubt if people will be willing to come, if all they are asked to do is to stand up in support of Camp David."

Another leader said that if Shamir "wants a display of Jewish unity when he comes to the States, like he got last year from the UJA Young Leadership, then Jewish organizations can manufacture it for him. It's no problem to get 1,000 people in a room to applaud the Prime Minister of Israel."

They were also skeptical about the Prime Minister's purported intention to throw open the resolutions to real discussion. Some of them no doubt have vivid memories of Shamir's address to the closing event of their meeting last year, where he lashed out at Diaspora Jews who criticize Israel, and reiterated his deeply held belief that the role of Diaspora Jewry is to stand united behind Israel, period.

Some observers of the Jewish organizational scene, however, were betting that even if many American leaders don't come, Jewish leaders from other countries, who are usually kept out of the limelight by the Americans, will eagerly respond to the unusual opportunity to stand on the world diplomatic stage with the Prime Minister of Israel.

Rabin ready for "concessions"

but also warns Palestinians

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, seeking to distance himself from the defiant stance of a Palestinian activist and the harsh rhetoric of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, said he was "now ready for concessions" but warned Palestinians that violence will get them nowhere.

The defence minister spoke to an audience of teachers in Tel Aviv, even while rioting continued in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and spread to East Jerusalem.

Rabin challenged the "false prophets" who claim the Palestinian uprising could be ended in a week or two if tougher measures are taken.

"I, who for years believed in a territorial compromise, am now ready for concessions," he said. But he warned that "giving in to violence" would invite only more aggression.

Directing his remarks to Palestinians, Rabin said, "You want to solve the conflict, you can only do so through negotiations.

"But if you don't want to, and you believe that you will achieve anything by violence, that you will scare us away by force — forget it."

Rabin said in his speech that it would take a combination of political wisdom and military force to overcome the intifada, or uprising, and it won't be done in a day.

"And I challenge those who said they could end the intifada in a week or a fortnight — we saw how they eradicated terrorism from Lebanon," Rabin declared. "There is no war which ends all wars. Only false prophets have such solutions."

His remarks seemed to challenge the words of Palestinian activist Faisal al-Husseini on one hand and Shamir on the other.

Husseini served notice at a gathering in Jerusalem last week that the Palestine Liberation Organization is the only leader of the Palestinians and the Israelis should not delude themselves that they can find another.

Husseini was released from six months' administrative detention apparently in the hope that he could rally moderate elements among West Bank Palestinians.

Shamir, speaking outside Likud headquarters, declared: "Never will there be a Palestinian state. Eretz Yisrael belongs only to the people of Israel."

He characterized the PLO as "brutal and foreign invaders in Eretz Yisrael."

Israel wants UN to remove

Norwegian accused of slurs

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The foreign ministry has called on the United Nations peacekeeping authorities in southern Lebanon to dismiss a Norwegian officer it accuses of making slurs against Israel.

According to ministry officials, Col. Jan Erik Carlsson, commander of the Norwegian battalion of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, has, despite protests, continued to liken the behavior of the Israel Defence Force in Lebanon to the Nazi occupiers of Norway in World War II.

After the initial furor, the IDF acted on the advice of the foreign ministry and played down the incident.

The ministry has since changed its view.

A spokesman, Alon Liel, said last week that "in light of the fact that the battalion commander is repeatedly uttering his despicable opinions, Israel expects the UNIFIL command to draw the proper conclusions regarding the officer, as warranted by our mutual desire for cooperation."

Liel noted that the Norwegian government has expressed reservations over Carlsson's remarks and Marrack Goulding, the UN undersecretary-general, has apologized to Israel's representative at the United Nations in New York, Yohanan Bein.

Carlsson's comparison was occasioned by the forced evacuation of villagers from Shaba at the eastern end of the southern Lebanon security zone.

The expulsions were carried out by the Israel-backed South Lebanon Army on orders of the IDF.

Carlsson told a group of Israelis and other officers that they were inhumane and reminiscent of what the Nazis did to Jews in his country during the war.

In a later interview with an Oslo newspaper, the colonel said he had "helped turn the spotlight on the expulsion of innocent inhabitants of south Lebanese villages."

He also said he was "overjoyed" by the support he has had from public opinion in Norway.

The Israelis have lodged another protest with UNIFIL concerning Carlsson.

They say he ordered his troops to search the car of Brig. Gen. Ze'ev Zacharia, the ranking IDF officer in southern Lebanon, "to look for little children the Israelis may have kidnapped."

Ultra-Orthodox hurl chairs

at women reading Torah

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — A women's prayer meeting at the Western Wall ended in a near riot, with worshippers from the men's side of the partition separating the sexes shouting abuse and hurling chairs at the women.

The Orthodox service, marking Rosh Hodesh Adar I, included some 20 women religious activists representing various shades of belief from Orthodox to Reform.

Most of the male worshippers were sheltered in the enclosed section of the Wall and did not at first notice the women's group. A few ultra-Orthodox women regulars gave the group odd looks before resuming their devotions.

But when the women opened the Torah scroll they had brought with them and began to read from it, one of the ultra-Orthodox women began to shout at them. They did not respond to her, however, and she ran to the men's section to enlist support.

Most of the male worshippers ignored the women, or rushed off after completing their prayers. But a small group gathered and began to shout at the women, while some of the ultra-Orthodox women tried to shove their way into the group to stop the Torah reading. When this proved ineffective, the men began to hurl chairs into the women's area.

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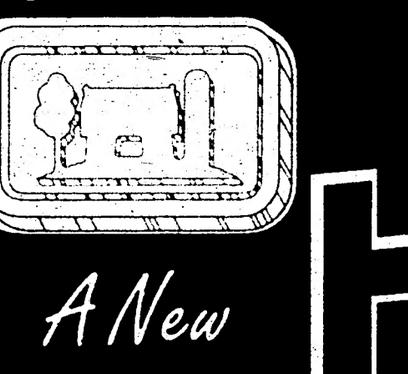

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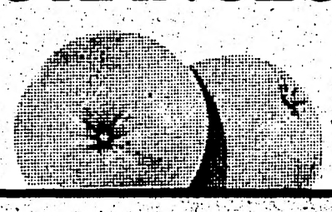
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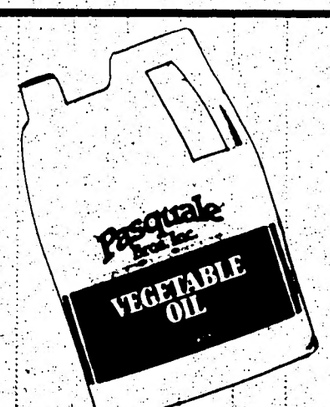

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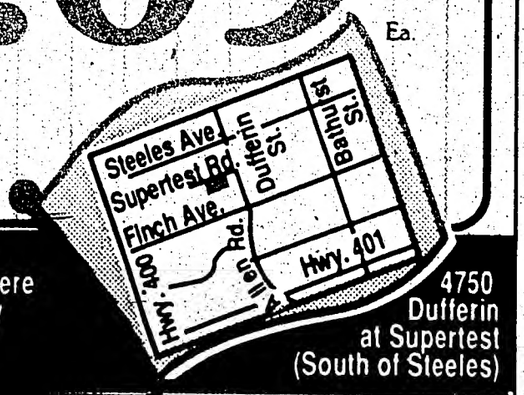

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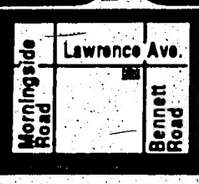

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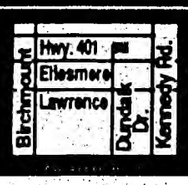

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Organizations and People

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Tezaveh / "Little Purim"

A person must protect his reputation. We each paint our own name, with golden letters, or blackened letters.

Rabbi Eliyah Chaim Meisel of Lodz was very active in raising funds for various institutions and worthy causes. But when it came to the disbursement of the funds, he refused to participate.

Rabbi Gottesman

When he was asked why, he responded: "In the Torah, the portion of Terumah describes how the Israelites donated gold and silver to build the mishkan, sanctuary, in the desert. Moses's name is mentioned throughout.

"But when we read the portion of Tezaveh that describes how the money was distributed, Moses's name is omitted completely. Why? But Moses our Teacher did not want to be involved so there should not be even a suspicion of wrongdoing!" (Ituray Torah)

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Strange, though — why was Moses's name omitted from a whole parsha of the Torah? By accident? By coincidence?

It has to mean something!

But — teaches the Nachal Kedumim — it shows the power of a loose, harsh word. When the Almighty was angry at the Israelites for building the Golden Calf, Moses stood up forcefully and said, "Michaynee nah! — blot me out, I pray Thee, out of Thy book which Thou hast written!" (Shmot 33:32).

Although the Almighty did forgive the Israelites, still the words of a tzaddik like Moses left their mark!

Not everyone is a tzaddik and not everyone is a Moses, but we all have mouths. Some of us have big mouths. Some of us have loose mouths. Some of us have mouths that are running before our brains are in gear. And we say things, so many things. We make little jokes. We make remarks. We get angry and throw out an extra word. We talk and talk not knowing we are treading on people's sensitivities and feelings.

We talk, and then we retreat and say:

"I didn't mean it."

"It was just a joke."

"Let's forget about it, I was upset,"

But it's *not* forgotten.

Killelas tzaddik oseh roshem! The curse of the righteous leaves its mark! Our words leave marks. Our words are powerful. Our words are dangerous. We have to watch our words, count them.

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But there is another, brighter side of the coin. Taught Reb Shimon Sofer: If Moses put his life on the line for the Jewish people, should he have his name omitted? Should he be punished for his courage?

But God rewarded Moses. "*V'atah tezaveh*! You take over for a while. You be in charge. Don't have your name mentioned just as my assistant, but you be the master, not even needing to be named.

What an honor!

Every Jew has the power to be a master, a sar, a general of the spirit. Able to ignite others. Able to build a sanctuary even in the desert of Toronto or Calgary or Vancouver.

"*V'atah tezaveh!*" You be in charge! Every Jew a Moses. Every Jew with an incandescent face, a burning soul. Shabbat Shalom.

Who is a Jew controversy

Intermarriage cited as root cause

NEW YORK —

The Who is a Jew controversy is really a symptom of a disease called intermarriage, a symposium here on religious legislation in Israel was recently told.

Speaking at the mid-winter conference of the Rabbinical Council of America, Rabbi Zalman Posner of Nashville, Tenn. criticized those who would fight Who is a Jew legislation but ignore intermarriage.

"Why fight the symptom and let the malady fester?" he asked, adding that American Jews should use all their energy to stop Jews marrying outside their faith.

The New York-based RCA is the rabbinic arm of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations.

RCA executive vice-president Rabbi Binyamin Walfish, who spoke of the need to reverse what he termed "the terrible trend of intermarriage," said the proposed change to the Law of Return would not affect Diaspora Jews.

Walfish urged Jews not to squander their efforts on the legislation but instead to concentrate on those matters which affect Israel's spiritual character.

He also called for a program which would immediately begin to educate American Jews to "the need for certain religious standards in Israel."

Former RCA president Rabbi Walter Wurzburger said that at a time when most Jews aren't committed to Torah, Orthodoxy is hurt when it is perceived as a supporter of legislation which denies an individual religious freedom.

"We should strive only for legislation designed to guarantee free exercise of religion," he said. "Not the kind of legislation that seeks to establish any kind of religion."

Wurzburger, Walfish and Posner all decried what they termed "Orthodox-bashing" in the American Jewish community.

"Any time any Jew is debased, every Jew is debased," said Posner who added that Israel did more for American Jewish pride than American Jews ever did for themselves.

RCA President Rabbi Max Schreier said a promise by UJA leaders to help stop "Orthodox-bashing" had not brought about a cessation of such attacks.

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Ethiopians, sabras seen as Youth Aliyah focus

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Youth Aliyah has three major tasks today in the area of care and absorption of children, the New York-based executive director of the organization in the U.S. and Canada told a Hadassah audience here.

These tasks involve trying to bring back some of the Israeli youngsters now living in North America, the continuing care of Ethiopian children in Israel and helping native-born Israeli children, says Ella Bar-Illan.

Speaking at Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO's annual Youth Aliyah Brunch at Temple Anshe Sholom recently, Bar-Illan explained that a new Youth Aliyah program under which American and Canadian grade 10, 11 and 12 students are offered a year of study in Israel is intended primarily for "Israeli kids who were born abroad."

For these children, "the 'old country' is Israel. Just think of the irony." While the older generation return to Europe to search for their roots, "these kids," she said, "go back to Israel to find their roots. And Israel is only 40 years old."

The hope is that after spending a year in Israel and living among Israelis, some of these students will decide to stay in Israel.

Among these students are also children of Soviet Jews who chose to emigrate to the U.S. and Canada rather than to Israel.

Recalling that Youth Aliyah was originally formed to rescue children from the Holocaust, Bar-Illan noted that despite the difficulties, absorbing them had been easy because they had come from the same background as most Youth Aliyah workers.

The real difficulties began "when kids started coming from a background we didn't know."

First the Yemenites, then children from Iran, and later those from Soviet Georgia. But never, continued Bar-Illan, "have we had such difficulties as in the last few years, when we started with Ethiopian kids."

Parents could not follow

About 8,500 Ethiopian children up to the age of 18 were brought to Israel but because news of the rescue was leaked, their parents could not follow as originally planned.

And so today, said Bar-Illan, "we have to deal with the emotional problems of kids who know they will never see their parents again. They need our help much more today than they did before but nobody knows about it because it is no longer news."

Israeli children in need of care, she noted, are mostly those living in the disadvantaged environment of some development towns "who still do not have the possibility to live up to their potential."

Noting that Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has helped rehabilitate 200,000 children since the founding of Youth Aliyah 55 years ago, Hamilton Hadassah president Ilona Feldman appealed for an increase in gifts by asking guests "to reach deep into your hearts and even deeper into your pockets."

The speaker was introduced by former Hadassah president Tishelle Adelman and thanked by Sylvia Klein, Youth Aliyah co-chairman with Cindy Mark, who presided over the program.

Brunch convenors were Lorraine Cohen, Susan Walman and Hannah Feldman.

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Demjanjuk appeal postponed

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

The High Court of Justice has agreed to a request from the lawyer of convicted Nazi war criminal John (Ivan the Terrible) Demjanjuk to postpone hearing an appeal of his death sentence until Nov. 1.

Citing ill health, attorney Yoram Sheftel requested the delay so he can find another attorney to help appeal the sentence.

Sheftel has not yet been able to find a replacement for his legal partner, Dov Eitan, who leaped to his death from a Jerusalem tower Nov. 29.

At Eitan's funeral, a survivor of Nazi death camps threw acid in Sheftel's face, which affected his eyes and hindered his preparation of an appeal.

The appeal had originally been scheduled for May, more than a year after sentence was passed on the Ukrainian-born former U.S. citizen.

A 5-man panel of the High Court of Justice, headed by its president, Meir Shamgar, will hear the appeal.

Demjanjuk, 68, was convicted April 18 of crimes against humanity, crimes against the Jewish people, war crimes and crimes against a persecuted people.

During his Jerusalem trial, which lasted 15 months, he was identified as the sadistic Treblinka death camp guard known as Ivan the Terrible, who operated the gas chambers where more than 800,000 Jews perished.

United Jewish Welfare Fund/ Toronto Jewish Congress Endowment Fund

Keeping faith with the past ... building for tomorrow

Professional Column

By Aki Chencinski, C.A. and Laurie Starkman, C.A.

No one would question society's ever-increasing need for charitable giving by its members. The Jewish community particularly is faced with the important task of supporting Israel through both the good and not so good times. This is in addition to the very real social and medical needs in our own communities, particularly brought on by governments trying to cope with massive budget deficits.

Long gone are the days of a standard $100 medical/donation deduction for individuals. Now every donation, no matter how small, may result in some tax benefits. Until 1988, donations were a deduction in arriving at taxable income. Although this is still the case for corporations, individuals will instead claim a tax credit against taxes payable. This federal credit is calculated as 17% of the first $250 of donations in a year and 29% of amounts in excess of $250.

This change, along with the effect of the interaction of provincial taxes, results in tax benefits comparable to the old system, except for the fact that the top personal tax rate in 1988 is about 8% lower than in 1987 as a result of tax reform.

However, rules are still in place to limit the donations subject to credit to 20% of net income. Any unused portion may be carried forward for 5 years to be applied on the same basis. In addition to the standard social service and medical types of donations, most fees paid to religious organizations, such as synagogues qualify as donations. Tuition fees paid for religious education, although not as clear cut, may be available for credit treatment. The extent of the creditable portion depends on whether non religious education is included in the curriculum. Revenue Canada's administrative position requires the school to determine the portion of the fees that may be considered a donation.

The preceding comments address "conventional" charitable giving - the kind most people are used to. Although the length of this commentary doesn't permit detailed analysis, there are a number of alternatives that allow charitable giving in other, perhaps less conventional manners. The simplest is the contribution of services. Volunteer work is essential to most charitable organizations and should be encouraged at all times. It should be noted that no recognition is given for income tax purposes for such service.

On the other hand a gift-in-kind is recognized for tax purposes. This is both for purposes of the donation credit and for calculating the deemed proceeds of the property. The deemed proceeds may result in a capital gain or loss with all its related implications. The rules relating to such gifts allow the donor to designate, within certain limits, the proceeds to be recognized for tax purposes. This designation could have some interesting results and should be used carefuly. Consideration must be given to the 20% net income restriction, the capital gain that may be generated and the availability of the capital gains exemption.

At this point we can briefly examine some other ways available to help fund charities. Although one might think these methods are only for the very wealthy, this is certainly not always the case. Most people could take advantage of such planning to significantly benefit charities of their choice, without any considerable additional annual cash outlay.

Making provision for donations in a will is a fairly easy but often overlooked alternative. Such a gift would be subject to the same rules as donations during one's lifetime, including the limitation restricting the credit based on 20% of net income. The donation credit may be applied in the year of death or the immediately preceding year.

Other methods available include the use of endowments, public foundations, private foundations, life insurance, trusts and shareholdings in corporations. These more imaginative options will briefly be examined in an upcoming article.

Whether one utilizes one of these exotic alternatives or simply contributes cash annually to his or her chosen charities, the important thing is not to turn a blind eye to the needs of those less fortunate than ourselves.

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WHAT IS THE ENDOWMENT FUND?

"As my father planted for me so do I plant for those who come after me," the Talmud instructs us. It is on this philosophy the Endowment Fund of United Jewish Welfare Fund/Toronto Jewish Congress is built. The Fund was created to afford the opportunity for a donor to perpetuate annual gift-giving beyond his or her lifetime. It gives the donor creativity, in that funds may be channeled to particular areas of interest (the aged, scholarships, youth services). The Fund provides a permanent source of capital which enables the Jewish community to respond to new and growing needs that fall beyond the budgeting means of Toronto Jewish Congress/United Jewish Appeal, and functions as a safety net to meet unforeseen financial situations. It's a kind of savings account, which insures the very future of tzedaka.

Since 1973, the Endowment Fund has allocated seed money and grants in support of over 40 community programs in the health, welfare, educational and cultural fields. Its source of capital includes bequests, endowments, lifetime gifts and insurance policies, to cite a few examples.

Our scope is vast: We strive to meet the future needs of our children, youth, families and elderly, and to ensure those needs in perpetuity.

Message from the Chairman: The Endowment Growth Fund: A Bold New Venture in Charitable Giving

There's been a dramatic new development in the way we build the Endowment Growth Fund and the one of the boldest and most exciting moves to date.

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The potential of the Growth Fund is enormous and can have a substantial impact on the growth and delivery of future services in the Jewish community. It is also a way of perpetuating the name of family in the form of a philanthropic fund or a memorial project.

Already, several Toronto families are taking advantage of the EGF. It is a chance to make a difference now and in the decades to come.

For more information about starting a fund, contact Samual Helfenbaum at the Endowment office, 635-2883.

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Bernie & Belle Weinstein:

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Belle & Bernie Weinstein

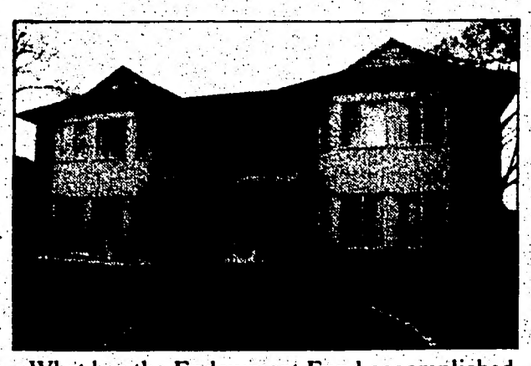
"For someone who wants to perpetuate a gift, the Endowment Fund is a beautiful way to do it."

So says well-known Toronto Jewish communal figure Bernie Weinstein, founder and President of Danbury Sales. Bernie is a relative newcomer to the Endowment Fund, but no novice when it comes to benevolence.

"I gave my first $200 gift to charity 30 years ago, and that was when I not only didn't have $200, but I didn't have 200 cents!" quips Bernie, known perhaps best for his tireless work on behalf of Beit Halochem, an organization dedicated to easing the plight of disabled Israeli armed forces veterans.

Bernie, who will be 70 years young this March, and Belle, his wife of 47 years, have structured an endowment fund to suit their unique wishes. Each year, portions of their fund will be allocated to Beit Halochem and to another cause the Weinsteins have helped champion: Chai Tikvah, two group homes in Toronto for individuals who have had psychiatric treatment. Chai Tikvah, established last year, teaches independent living in a Jewish milieu, and currently has eight beds. The Weinsteins envision expanding the project to at least 12 additional beds.

Bernie Weinstein is no stranger to the Toronto fund-raising scene, having been active for years within United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish National Fund. But it is within the Endowment Fund that he has found the most creative outlet for his charitable drive, for through it, his dreams for the less fortunate, both in Toronto and Israel, will be fulfilled.



ELM RIDGE HOUSE

What has the Endowment Fund accomplished in Toronto? One of the answers is located at 165 Elm Ridge Drive, where the concept of group living for the elderly is thriving.

In operation since 1986, Elm Ridge House was begun with seed capital from the Endowment Fund's Joseph & Helen Berman Fund, among others. The project is administered by Jewish Family & Child Services, an affiliated agency of Toronto Jewish Congress, which built the spacious, multi-level and tastefully furnished house in conjunction with City Home, Toronto's subsidized housing project.

Elm Ridge House can accommodate 14 individuals, who are ambulatory and have shared responsibilities. There is one main kitchen and four shared kitchens, where small meals and snacks can be prepared by the residents. There are main dining and living areas and all facilities are Kosher. A full-time cook/housekeeper stays overnight to supervise the next day's preparation of food.

The average age of the residents of Elm Ridge House is 83 and everyone takes part in a myriad of group activities, including music, arts & crafts, intergenerational programs with schools and outings.

In short, Elm Ridge House provides the semi-independent elderly with a stimulating and dignified way to live, and the Endowment Fund is proud of having been part of it.

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Organizations and People

Holy Blossom creates panel to educate community

Public support urged to change welfare system

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Public attitudes and perceptions about those on social assistance must be changed and support has to be built if the welfare system is to be changed, says the chairman of a government study on the social assistance system.

George Thomson, chairman of the Social Action Review Committee (SARC), discussed the implications of the Transitions report released last September during a recent program sponsored by Holy Blossom Temple's social action committee.

He said that while the committee, comprised of a broad spectrum of the community, knew there were problems in the existing social assistance system, it didn't fully comprehend the magnitude of the problem and number of issues that had to be addressed.

"To listen to parents talk of their struggle to meet all the needs of their children really affected us," Thomson said.

As a result, the committee — established in July 1986 to undertake a public review of Ontario's social assistance system — held 24 days of public hearings, heard from over 1,000 people and received over 1,500 briefs during its two years of study.

The final product was a 648-page report with 274 recommendations calling for a major shift in the philosophy of Ontario's social assistance system.

Thomson said it would be implemented in four or five stages beginning by increasing shelter allowance rates and eliminating any unfair rules and procedures.

As well, the report calls for the province to immediately begin to develop and implement a public education program to increase the level of awareness and understanding about social assistance and those who use it.

"In the midst of prosperity the number of those on social assistance is up and continues to climb," said Thomson, pointing out the existing system serves over 530,000. "The main reason is that the programs don't facilitate people moving off social assistance."

Instead, Thomson said, the system "traps" people and includes many roadblocks and disincentives to get off assistance.

Contrary to many public perceptions though, Thomson said this is not what people on social assistance want. He said that during public hearings, he found out they want to participate and be part of the community.

"The goal of social assistance should be to help people to make the transition from exclusion to integration into the community and from dependence to self-reliance."

To do so though, Thomson said massive new programs have to be instituted and many myths have to be knocked down.

Chief among these is the stereotype of who uses the system. He said that while the stereotype of the young employable person living comfortably on welfare comes to many people's minds, this is the furthest from the truth.

In fact, he said, over 200,000 or 41% of those on social assistance are young children who are hidden on the caseload. Add to that their sole support parents and those with disabilities and the caseload climbs to 90%.

As well as those children on social assistance, Thomson said, another 100,000 are growing up in working poor families — those who have never been on social assistance and are trying to live on minimum wage.

To help all these people, he said the system should be able to meet their financial needs and should be simplified.

Thomson, outlining the report's recommendations, said new income support programs for children and the disabled should be instituted, as it would result in a significantly reduced social assistance system.

He explained the present income programs for children would be replaced with a new income-tested tax credit. The credit would provide a maximum of $3,300 per child per year to all low- and middle-income parents.

To assist the disabled, a comprehensive disability insurance program would be established to provide benefits due to accident, injury or illness.

For those disabled not eligible for the insurance program, a disability benefit would provide them with a basic level of income.

A third major reform calls for the creation of a program to supplement the wages of low-income workers.

He said time is of the essence and if the first stage of the report is not implemented soon, it will lose momentum. While provincial Community and Social Services Minister John Sweeney has expressed support for the report, the government has not yet responded with a financial commitment. It is expected to do so in the spring Throne Speech.

In the meantime, the Holy Blossom social action committee is "taking the bull by the horns" and forming its own SARC sub-committee to educate the community about the importance of the SARC's recommendations. Those interested in joining can call Sandy Wise at 789-3291.

U.S. UJA raises $357.8M

NEW YORK (JTA) —
The United Jewish Appeal of the United States collected $357.8 million (U.S.) in calendar year 1988, helping to meet humanitarian needs in the United States, Israel and 33 other countries around the world.

The figures were announced by Vic Gelb of Cleveland, UJA national cash chairman. He said over 20% of the funds had been collected and forwarded to UJA in December.

The totals were somewhat down from 1987, when UJA collected $372.2 million. That was a record year, in part because of the tax reforms due to take effect in 1988, a UJA spokesman said.

The Wall Street crash in October 1987 is also believed to have hurt the 1988 campaign.

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Jo Ann Alderson, a management training consultant, is flanked by members of Jewish Women's Federation at recent Skills Development session. From left are Heather Shapero, Judi Morris, Alderson, Amelia Ipp and Myra Merkus.

Enables women to be effective leaders

JWF program is popular

By ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

Leadership — what does it take and what's it all about?

If you happen to be an up-and-coming officer of one of the more than 50 affiliate organizations and sisterhoods that comprise the Jewish Women's Federation, chances are you took advantage of the opportunity to find out through the JWF Skills Development Institute, Winter 1989.

The series of five programs has attracted an attendance of 50 women at each of the five sessions held on consecutive Thursday mornings from Jan. 12 through Feb. 9.

To accommodate working women, two evening sessions were added to the series this year.

The Skills Development Institute is just one of the ongoing "perks" JWF provides for its sister affiliates.

Heather Shapero who chairs the SDI committee, says the series is fulfilling a much-needed function in the community.

For women who are entering the upper echelon of their respective organizations, the programs will not only help them feel more confident and comfortable in their new roles, but will enable them to be more effective as leaders, Heather Shapero said. "Even for the seasoned president, there's something new to learn."

The series covers a wide range of topics all the way from the art of communication to lifestyle management.

Judging from comments submitted by participants at the end of the programs, the experience has been "a most positive one," according to Shapero.

Phrases like "excellent hands-on information," "practical, helpful and informative," and "useful not only for organizational work but life in general," echoed the consensus of positive feedback from sheet after sheet.

Series speakers included Jo Ann Alderson, management and training consultant, Progressive Communications; Susan Jackson, director of Community Services, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region; and Shirley Switzman and Jo Anne Ross Freeman, facilitators, Jewish Family Life Education Program, Jewish Family & Child Service.

Heritage classes opposed

TORONTO —

A Toronto Star lead editorial last week called on North York school trustees to reject applications for the extension of heritage language classes to include students attending private schools, including five Hebrew schools.

The Star noted that the North York school board has received applications for 192 classes in Hebrew, six in Yiddish and 13 in Armenian, from parents whose children already attend Hebrew and Armenian schools.

With each class averaging 25 pupils, the cost would run close to $1 million.

It said the Ontario government made a mistake last summer when it allowed private school students to take heritage languages at public expense.

"Aren't these children already taught Hebrew and Armenian?" the paper asked. "Why do they need additional instruction in these heritage languages through the public education system?"

The editorial claimed the intent of the Ontario government in allowing private school students to take the classes was not to subsidize existing language programs in private schools.

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Briefed on government's agenda

Bonds group confers with new Israeli leaders

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
Three Canadian representatives of Israel Bonds have returned home from Jerusalem after meeting with leaders of Israel's new government.

The representatives, all from Toronto, joined a delegation of almost 70 other prominent Bonds leaders from the United States, Europe and Latin America.

The group was addressed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, President Chaim Herzog, Israel Defence Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Dan Shomron and other government leaders.

The 3-day event was held at Jerusalem's Hilton Hotel.

"We were the first organized Jewish group to meet the new government," said participant Izzie Abrams, chairman of Bonds' New Leadership Division in Toronto.

"We were briefed on what the new government's agenda is for coming months and basically developed an awareness of what the present government is going to do."

Other Canadian participants included Morris Perlis, president of American Express Canada, and Gabi Erem, publisher of Lifestyles Magazine.

Abrams said the meetings were intended to create closer ties between Diaspora Jews and Israel's government.

Improved ties can help boost Bonds sales, said Abrams in a telephone interview from his winter vacation spot in Sun Valley, Idaho. Abrams, president of Dual Removal Systems, went on the skiing break after returning to Toronto from the Jerusalem meetings.

Izzie Abrams (left) meets with Israeli Finance Minister Shimon Peres at a recent meeting of international Bonds leadership and Israel's new government.

During the conference, Shamir told delegates: "We want to conduct a dialogue with all our neighbors and with the Palestinian Arabs."

But he said his government refuses to deal with terrorist organizations whose aim is the destruction of Israel.

"There is a broad consensus that talks with the PLO would result in the demand for a Palestinian State and this is a grave danger to Israel," said Shamir in a Bonds news release.

In an earlier address, Herzog spoke about Jewish unity, saying: "The coalition debate about Who is a Jew brought world Jewry closer to Israel. This was a healthy development."

Finance Minister Shimon Peres said: "No other people could mobilize such money. All told, you have raised $9.3 billion (U.S.) since the founding of the Jewish State.

"Wherever you go in Israel, you see signs of the Bonds investments and efforts in our streets, in our cities, in our factories."

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin was optimistic about peace.

"We soon celebrate the 10th anniversary of our peace treaty with Egypt," Rabin pointed out. "This proves that peace can be achieved."

Foreign Minister Moshe Arens also stressed the need for peace.

"Nobody in this region wants peace more than Israel. We have paid with the lives of our sons.

"We are insulted when we are portrayed as needing to be convinced that peace is good," Arens said.

Industry Minister Ariel Sharon painted a bright picture of Israel's economic prospects.

"Israel is the only country in the world with a free trade agreement with both the U.S. and the European Economic Community," Sharon said.

"This provides wonderful opportunities for foreign investment. U.S. or Canadian companies can set up here and export to Europe without paying tarrifs or visa versa."

Bonds delegates also met with Shomron who warned: "The goal of the Palestinians is to make the U.S. press Israel into concessions against its vital interest."

Meanwhile, David Hermelin, Bonds' international campaign chairman, announced that $48.7 million (U.S.) in Israel Bonds had already been sold in the first 16 days of 1989.

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Campaign experiences described

UIA Women's Division holds meet in Calgary

CALGARY —

Thirty-five women from across Canada shared knowledge, experience and ideas gained from work on behalf of Israel at a recent women's leadership institute of United Israel Appeal of Canada.

The event, held in late January, was described by participants as "successful," "stimulating" and "unifying," says a news release.

In her summation, the national Women's Division chairman reflected on a new sense of awareness and maturity among the present leadership.

"A new era is dawning in the relationship between Israel and ourselves," Gella Rothstein said.

"But our basic commitment to Israel remains stronger than ever."

Judy Scheininger

Gella Rothstein

Rothstein announced that Sheila Engel, of Toronto, would be the next national Women's Division chairman. She is expected to assume the post at UIA of Canada's annual meeting in August.

The conference began with an "ice breaker" exercise led by Carol Seidman, of Toronto. The event was followed by a "round tables" exchange led by Judy Scheininger, of Toronto.

In the exchange, six women from different communities described specific campaign experiences. Participants moved from one table to the next, interacting with presenters Joan Stevens, of Toronto, Janis Levine, of Calgary, Joyce Tanner, of Montreal, Gertrude Cohos, of Calgary, Carol Kassel of Toronto, and Doris Weiser of Montreal.

A program highlight was a joint forum in which two university professors discussed the current political and economic situation in Israel.

Participating were Michael Ashkenazi, a visiting Israeli professor at the University of Calgary, and David Bercuson, a local history professor. They were joined during a lively question and answer period by Reuven Rosenfelder, UIA of Canada's communications director.

At one point in the conference, women gathered for dinner at the home of Gertrude and Martin Cohos. The evening's presentation was made by Phyllis Segev, a past national Women's Division chairman who now lives in Israel.

The conference's second day included presentations by participants including Vancouver residents Hilary Benson, Rosalind Karby, Carol Oreck and Judy Weinstein.

Other presenters included Sheila Engel, of Toronto, Cheryl Greenbaum, of Hamilton, Vita Parks, of Winnipeg, Ruth Berger, of Ottawa, and Ruth Wertheimer.

The conference ended with a brainstorming session on a problem shared by all Women's Divisions — getting the training to the canvasser.

Credits luck and hard work for success

Terhoch heads CBC Manitoba

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Marvin Terhoch credits a combination of luck, hard work and an openness about his views for getting him to the top of the heap at CBC Manitoba.

Terhoch, 41, was appointed regional director for CBC-TV and radio for Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario in December. "I was in the right place at the right time," he says simply. "My only ambition is to do as my father taught me, to do my best at all times."

Of course, a record of programming success on behalf of the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. over 20 years doesn't hurt either.

The bearded Terhoch is another success story out of Winnipeg's North End. His goal was to become a writer. While going to university and hanging out at a local downtown tavern, he got to know a lot of CBC people. On his last day of exams, a radio position opened up for a writer. Terhoch was encouraged to apply and got the job.

That same day in 1969, Peter Mansbridge left Churchill, Man., to join the CBC radio newsroom in Winnipeg.

Terhoch has always had a strong commitment to public broadcasting. "I feel a station, especially a television station, should reflect its community to the rest of the country as well as to its viewers," he said. "It is very important that a station should look and sound like the surrounding community."

When Terhoch first began to move up the corporate ladder as director of CBC-Winnipeg's 24 Hours supper news program in the late 1970s, the CBC news team did not reflect the community. There were no reporters representing ethnic groups or visible minorities. Terhoch set about to make changes.

Today the image is different. The 24 Hours news show and 24 Hours Late Night have a number of reporters from visible minority groups in the field and the CBC news show has become the most successful CBC regional news program in Canada.

Four years ago, Terhoch was appointed head of CBC Manitoba TV with orders to shape it up. He met with success again with his community-minded approach.

The new head man of CBC Manitoba practices what he preaches in terms of community involvement. A member of the Bnay Abraham Synagogue, he is on the board of Brandon's Assiniboine Community College, several Winnipeg arts groups and he is involved with other community organizations as well.

"You have to be as close to the community as possible and be involved or you risk becoming elitist," he said.

For the CBC, he would like to see a new headquarters in the next few years. "We are broadcasting out of an old car dealership and an old church," he said. "We are inhibited by the limitations of our studio resources."

Terhoch says he has worked hard to stay in Winnipeg. "I have to wrestle with a major decision in that regard every year or two," he said.

Terhoch intends to see however that CBC Manitoba remains one of the most successful regional CBC operations in the country. "The viewer numbers tell us we are doing something right," he says.

Dr. Ruth in Montreal

By
JOEL YANOFSKY

MONTREAL —

She is, without a doubt, the world's best known expert on sex since Masters met Johnson. She has been called the "Queen of Sexual Literacy" and "Grandma Freud" by the New York Times. To her countless fans, though, she is simply Dr. Ruth.

Bringing her patented style of funny and frank advice to Montreal, psychosexual therapist Ruth Westheimer got the YM-YWHA's 3rd annual Health and Heart Month started with a bang. More than 800 people crowded into the gymnasium of the Snowdon Y to blush, giggle and squirm in their seats while Westheimer told them more than they could ever possibly want to know about sex.

"Why do I talk so explicitly about sex? Because I think it is very important for people today to be sexually literate . . . What we have to do tonight is bury some of the myths about sex. There were 1.5 million unwanted pregnancies in the U.S. last year and most of those were because of ignorance," she said.

A tiny woman with the timing of a stand-up comic and a voice like a munchkin with a German accent, Westheimer, who was born in Frankfurt, joked about everything from orgasms to why she won't let her husband come to her lectures: "I'm worried he would stand up during the question period and say, 'She's all talk.' "

A firm believer in her ability to entertain and educate at the same time, Westheimer has carried on the Jewish tradition that says a lesson taught with humor is a lesson retained.

But she also addressed controversial issues like abortion. "I'm not a politician or a theologian. I'm an educator and from where I sit abortion must remain legal. It would be a catastrophe to go back to the days of coat hangers, the days when only wealthy women could afford safe abortions."

For all her success, Westheimer has not had an easy life. She was just a child in a Swiss boarding school when her parents were killed at Auschwitz. At 16, she emigrated to Israel where she taught kindergarten. Later she studied psychology in Paris and then settled in New York in 1956 to do graduate work. She obtained her PhD in family studies from Columbia University.

"Fame came to me very late in life and I love it. I love the limousines, the flowers and the first-class treatment, but I also still maintain my private practice in New York," she said. Westheimer is also a consultant at the New York University-Belleveue Hospital.

At a press conference following her lecture, Westheimer offered an explanation for her enormous popularity. "I have the chutzpah to say what I believe. I don't speak explicitly to shock people, I do it because I believe in it . . . I was also in the right place at the right time."

There are other reasons, too. Westheimer, according to the producer of her weekly radio program Sexually Speaking, acts as a second mother to all those people who are unable to talk about sex to their own mothers.

In addition to her syndicated radio propram and her daily television show, Good Sex, she has written five books, kibbitzed with Johnny Carson and David Letterman, released a home video and a board game — also called Good Sex — and writes a monthly column for Playgirl. The next project Westheimer is seriously considering is a sitcom starring Dr. Ruth.

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

A reminder that the deadline for the What's New and About People columns is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. deadline for March 2 issue is Thursday, Feb. 16, and deadline for March 9 issue is Thursday, Feb. 23).

Also, please remember that I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail. Do send your items out well in advance. Otherwise they will sit on my desk until the following week and may be too late to be included in the proper issue.

Friday, Feb. 17

DARCHEI NOAM SHABBAT SERVICE

Congregation Darchei Noam is holding Shabbat evening services on Friday, Feb. 17, at 7.30 p.m. at 15 Hove St., Downsview.

If you would like to join in a potluck dinner following, call **Elizabeth Mintoff** at 441-2326.

HAPPY MUSICAL HOUR

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** is appearing in a happy musical hour on Friday, Feb. 17, from 2-3 p.m. at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd. The program will include semi-classical, dancing, Jewish and Hebrew music.

Saturday, Feb. 18

NARAYEVER CONGREGATION

The Narayever Congregation, 187 Brunswick Ave. (north of Harbord) invites the community to Shabbat afternoon services on Saturday, Feb. 18. All Narayever services are traditional but egalitarian with equal participation of men and women.

The program begins at 4 p.m. with a study session on the works of Rambam and the eight levels of tzedaka and continues with Mincha, a simple meal with lots of singing, Maariv and Havdala.

The program will conclude at 7 p.m. with blessing of the new moon, weather permitting.

Everyone is welcome. For information, call **Justin Lewis** at 533-1443.

TEEN DANCE

The JCC Maccabi Youth Club Teen Dance takes place Saturday, Feb. 18, from 7.30-11.30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St.

The charge of $3 Maccabi Youth members, $5 others, includes pop, snacks and deejay. For more information, call **Lysa** or **Ruthie** at 636-1880.

GAMES JEWISH SINGLES PLAY

Games Jewish Singles Play is a fun social evening for men and women ages 29-49 and 50-69 with board games such as Trivial Pursuit, Scrabble, bridge — bring your favorite along.

It all takes place Saturday, Feb. 18, at 8 p.m. at Beth Torah Synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave. Admission is $5 and includes refreshments. It is sponsored by the synagogue.

For information, call **Mollie** at 889-5555 or **Myrna** at 223-6028.

Sunday, Feb. 19

NISHMA TORONTO

Nishma Toronto will be meeting Sunday, Feb. 19, at 8 p.m. at the home of **Aldo Morais**, 60 Argonne Cres. (north of Cummer, east of Bayview). The chavura will continue discussing Love and Marriage under the direction of **Rabbi Benjamin Hecht**.

Nishma is an intellectual adult education organization devoted to development and encouragement of open intellectual Torah study. Nishma currently has chavurot in the New York City area, Toronto and Milwaukee.

Nishma in Canada is sponsored by Shaarei Zion Congregation. Everyone is welcome.

For information and to RSVP, call 490-9669 or 225-3564.

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT

Nutrition for Health — You Are What You Eat is the topic **Dr. Rena Mendelsohn** will be discussing at the Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club meeting on Sunday, Feb. 19.

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9.30 and the speaker at 10.

Former members of the Holy Blossom Temple Alumni are welcome to attend.

BROTHERHOOD MEETING

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Brotherhood is holding a breakfast meeting on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 9.30 p.m. with guest speaker **Steven Ain**, executive director, Toronto Jewish Congress. He will discuss New Challenges for the Jewish Community of Toronto, which will cover such topics as influx of new immigrants from the USSR, Israel and the new Law of Return, and local community tensions.

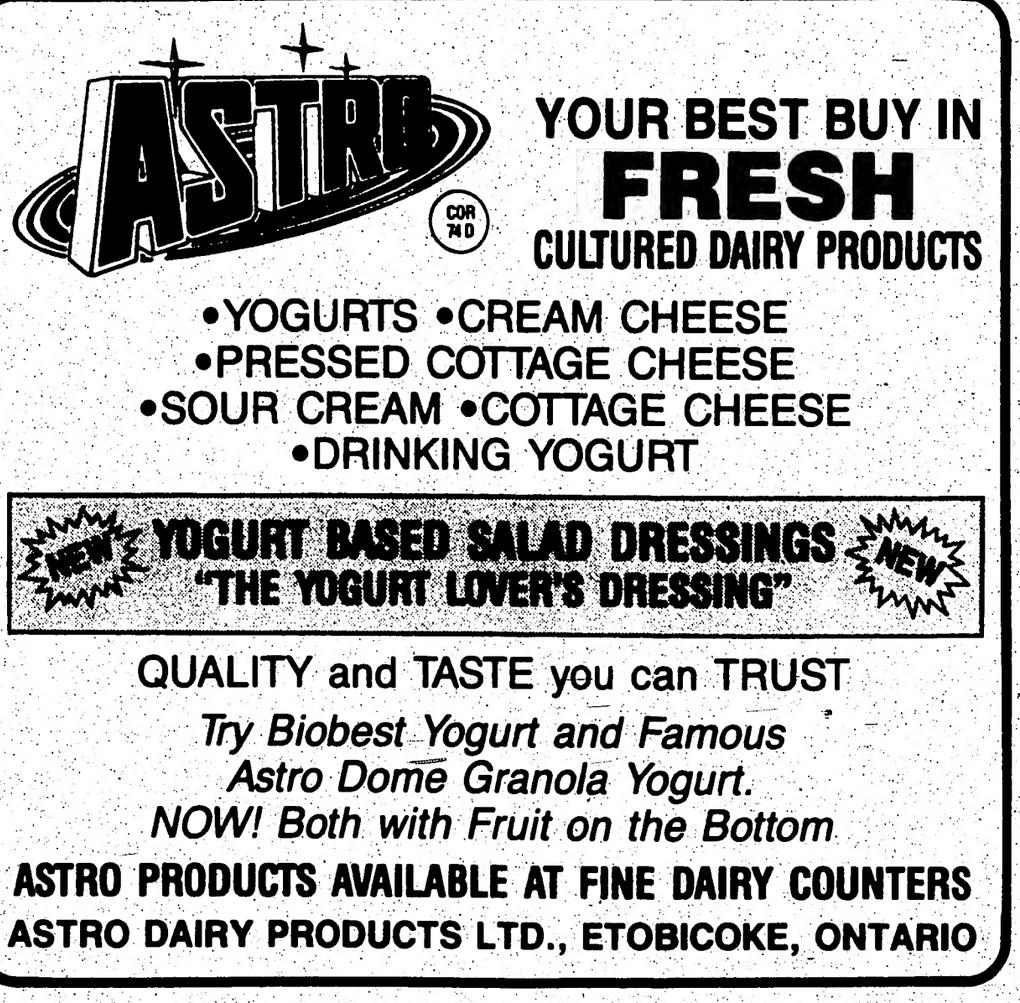
Monday, Feb. 20

ANNUAL MEETING & PLAYREADING

The Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University, Toronto Branch, will hold its annual meeting and the installation of the new board of directors and officers on Monday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m. at the Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St.

The meeting will be followed by the playreading of **Howard Fast's** David and Paula. It depicts the struggles of **David Ben-Gurion** to create a Jewish homeland in Palestine which culminated in the Israeli Declaration of Independence on May 14, 1948.

The public is invited to attend at no charge. Seating is limited. For information and tickets, call 665-8054.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ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

Shaar Shalom adult education committee is offering two courses, beginning Monday, Feb. 20, at the synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill.

The first course, a 5-week series entitled Winter in Israel, will be held from 8-9 p.m. There is no fee and refreshments will be served.

The Feb. 20 topic is Israel and Its Place in History. The series continues on Feb. 27 with The Miracle of 1948; on March 6 with Religion in Israel; March 13 with Political Life and Parties, and March 27 with Geographical Survey of Israel.

The second course, a 7-week Hebrew course with emphasis on reading and comprehension, especially of the Prayer Book and the Haggadah, will be held from 9.15-10.15 p.m. The fee is $35 for the seven sessions.

To register, contact the synagogue office at 889-4975.

ALJS DISCUSSION GROUP

The Association for the Living Jewish Spirit will hold a discussion group on Monday, Feb. 20, at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of Bathurst Heights Public Library, 3170 Bathurst St. (just north of Lawrence Plaza).

The theme will be Has Israel Been a Benevolent Conqueror? Discussion leader will be **Rabbi Reuben Slonim**. ALJS seeks to apply Jewish values to current problems.

Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 789-0101.

MONDAY MAGIC

Educator **Yetta Nashman** will be speaking on Building Self-Esteem in Children at the next meeting of Monday MAGIC scheduled for 9.30-11.30 a.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

Monday MAGIC is a women's group that meets Monday mornings at Beth Tzedec. Babysitting is available from newborns up.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

VOLUNTEERS FOR ISRAEL

Canadian Volunteers for Israel and Shaarei Shomayim Congregation adult education committee invite you to a community rally in honor of **General Aharon Davidi**, commander of the parachute corps in 1967 and founder and director of Sar-El (Volunteers for Israel) on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Also, phone 781-6089 for details about the special flight departing May 1 in order to participate in the Canadian Volunteers for Israel 3-week program. Space is limited, so don't delay.

TEHILLA MEETING

Tehilla, the Union for Religious Aliya, has invited **David Weinberg**, director of research and education, Canada-Israel Committee, to speak on the topic Not at All a Dangerous Dream: Israeli Politics Confronting the Oleh.

Come and ask your questions on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 8.15 p.m. at the offices of the Canadian Zionist Federation, 3910 Bathurst St., Suite 203 (one block south of York Downs).

CLUB ATIDA NA'AMAT

Club Atida, Na'amat, invites all young married women in the Bathurst area south of Hwy 401 to a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m. when **Judy Amoils** will discuss the history and present situation of the Jews in South Africa.

For further details, call the Na'amat office at 636-5425 days or **Emily** at 884-2981.

FAMILIES ARE FOREVER?

The study series Families Are Forever?, co-sponsored by Holy Blossom Temple and Royal York Rd. United Church, continues on Tuesday, Feb. 21, with Variations on the Family Theme: Staying Single, Single Parenthood, Homosexuality with **Rabbi Dow Marmur** and **Rev. Stan Lucyk**.

The time is 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

GOAL-SETTING & MOTIVATION

A free lecture by long distance swimmer **Vicki Keith** on the topic Goal-Setting and Motivation is being presented by the North York Central Library on Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 7.30-9.30 p.m. at the library, 5120 Yonge St. (north of Sheppard). There will be a question and answer period following the lecture.

This is the first in the North York Public Library's Director's Series of four free lectures on the theme of Women Changing Society presented monthly until May.

Wednesday, Feb. 22

TAPJCS PROGRAM

The next program of the Toronto Association of Professionals in Jewish Communal Service (TAPJCS) will take place Wednesday, Feb. 22, at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. It will feature **Martin Lockshin**, professor of Jewish studies at York University, who will speak on the ethical conflicts that sometimes face Jewish communal professionals.

Dinner and program will be at 6 p.m. The cost is $10 for members, $15 for non-members. To RSVP call **Esther** or **Adele** at 789-7071.

CHALLENGES TO THE JEWISH MIND

On Wednesday, Feb. 22, the Challenges to the Jewish Mind series with **Prof. Arnold Ages**, sponsored by Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda adult education committee, will focus on The Usefulness of the United Nations.

The lecture will take place from 8-9.30 p.m. in the Arback Hall of the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Everyone is welcome.

For information, call 633-3838.

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Toronto will be meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 7.30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. The topic of the evening will be Sources for Jewish Genealogical Research in Canada.

For information, call **Annette** at 782-4646.

JEWISH PRACTICE

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am is presenting an Introduction to Jewish Practice with lectures on Wednesday evenings from 7.30-8.30 conducted by **Rabbi Philip Scheim**. The Feb. 22 lecture will be on the topic of Shabbat.

The synagogue is located at 55 Yeomans Rd.

ARE YOU A FORMER MONTREALER?

Are you a former Montrealer? Then come and join members of the Golda Meir Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, at the next meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 8 p.m. when guest speaker **Eva Goldfinger** will discuss secular Judaism, wom-

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en in the Bible and legends.

For further details and location, call **Margie** at 731-7615 or **Gail** at 764-3275.

MOVING TO ISRAEL?

Are you moving to Israel and interested in purchasing 220 voltage appliances? Want to know more about shipping your household goods?

On Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 8 p.m. come and meet with two experts. **Arie** from ABC Trading Co. from New York will be here to advise you about 220 voltage appliances and **Dave McCandless** from Acadian Overseas Packaging Co. will give tips and quotes on your shipments.

For further information, contact the Israel Aliyah Centre, 3910 Bathurst St., Suite 202, Downsview, M3H 5Z3. The phone number is 633-4766.

ILEITIS & COLITIS FORUM

Questions on stress and inflammatory bowel disease will be answered by a panel of experts on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 7.30 p.m. at an educational forum sponsored by the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis. The forum will be held at the Toronto General Hospital Nurses' Residence amphitheatre, 90 Gerrard St. W.

The panel will be moderated by **Dr. Howard Seiden**, Toronto Star columnist and community medical practitioner. The psychologist's viewpoint will be presented by **Dr. Sam Klarreich**, author of the book, Stress Solution. Also on the panel will be a gastroenterologist, a nurse, and a patient with Crohn's disease.

And What Else Is New...

A HOME FOR DARCHEI NOAM

Darchei Noam, the only Reconstructionist congregation in Toronto, will occupy nearly 4,000 square feet of the new first floor addition to the B'nai B'rith building at 15 Hove St. The plans call for a 250-seat sanctuary with space for meetings, receptions, offices and classrooms. Construction is slated for completion this August.

Darchei Noam is a democratic, egalitarian and participatory congregation with a membership made up of 150 households — families, elders, single parents, couples and singles. **Rabbi Deborah Brin** is the spiritual leader and **Mitchell Rothman** is chairman of the board.

MID-WINTER BREAK CAMP

A cross-country ski camp for boys and girls ages 8-16 will be operated by the Jewish Camp Council from Sunday, March 19, to Friday, March 24, at Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre near Parry Sound.

This exciting winter package includes cross-country ski classes, equipment, winter sports, crafts, and much more. Excellent supervision is provided and food services are under the supervision of the kashruth committee, Toronto Jewish Congress.

The cost of $200 includes all of the above and transportation. For more information and to register your child, call 630-1180.

KESHER 89

The Israel Aliyah Centre has announced a special 1-week presidential reunion mission in Israel for former Israel program participants. This mission is under the auspices of the chairman of the World Zionist Organization.

Participants will meet with the President and Prime Minister as well as other leading Israeli figures, explore advanced educational and professional opportunities in Israel through on-site visits, socialize with Israeli peers and professional counterparts, examine issues of special interests (e.g. military, political, economic and cultural) during two day-long trips throughout the country.

The cost is $1,020 Canadian from Toronto (sponsored by Toronto Jewish Congress). Accommodation with full board will be at the 5-star Hyatt Hotel in Jerusalem. Flight departure is May 31 for one week with options to extend up to two months.

For further information, contact the Israel Aliyah Centre, 3910 Bathurst St., Suite 202, Downsvoew, M3H 5Z3. The phone number is 633-4766.

BBYO'S TEEN CONNECTION

Grade 7 and 8 students are invited to attend BBYO's Teen Connection on Saturday, Feb. 25.

For boys there will be floor hockey at the Jewish Community Centre northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St. from 8-10 p.m. Please meet at the main entrance.

For girls there is a sleepover at the B'nai B'rith House, 15 Hove St. from 8.30 p.m. Feb. 25 till 9,30 a.m. Feb. 26. There will be Israeli dancing, games, movies as well as a bagel brunch on Sunday morning.

Cost for both these events is $2. If you would like more information about B'ani B'rith Youth Organization's Teen Connection program, call **Vicky** at 635-9411.

JEWISH MUSIC EXHIBITION

An exhibition entitled Sing Us a New Song is on view at the Beth Tzedec Museum through March 21.

The exhibition surveys the history of Jewish music from antiquity into the 20th century. Utilizing items from the Beth Tzedec collection loaned from several collectors, the exhibition brings out the multi-faceted nature of Jewish musical endeavor throughout history.

Museum hours are Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 1 p.m.

FAMILY FUN

The Jewish Camp Council is offering a cross-country ski holiday for families at Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre, Parry Sound, from Sunday, March 19, to Monday, March 27.

Design your own package or come for the long weekend. Your price includes accommodation, three meals daily (prepared under supervision of the kashruth committee, Toronto Jewish Congress), evening refreshments, cross-country skiing, and a variety of indoor and outdoor activities for adults and children.

Based on last year's response, don't delay. Reserve now. For more information, call 630-1180.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

The guest speaker at the Women's Canadian Club luncheon meeting on Friday, Feb. 24, will be **Desmond Morton,** principal of Erindale College, University of Toronto.

The time is noon at the Royal York Hotel ballroom. For information, call 923-2900.

A COURSE ON REINCARNATION

A 12-week course on Reincarnation is being presented by the Research Centre of Kabbalah on Thursdays at 9 p.m. at 788 Marlee Ave.

For information, call 785-9095.

BOOK REVIEW

Cathy Tile, an English consultant in Metro's secondary schools, will discuss the book, Loving Kindness, **Anne Roiphe's** provocative novel about maternal self-doubt, distorted parent-child relations, and a conflict between political liberalism and ultra-conservatism, on Tuesday, Feb. 28.

The book review is sponsored by Beth Tikvah Sisterhood and takes place at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. The charge is $3 per person. Refreshments will be served.

MICROWAVE COOKING PROGRAMS

Here is an opportunity for you to master an advanced technical appliance so necessary for today's lifestyle. At the North York parks and recreation department, pre-registration is available for 4-week microwave cooking classes. The day classes start Feb. 16. Evening classes started Feb. 14.

Held once a week for two hours, the class will teach you how to prepare delicious recipes, give you tips on cookingware and much more.

The cost is $27 adults, $19 senior adults. For additional information, call 224-6258 for daytime program and 224-6260 for evening classes.

JSU/HILLEL EVENTS

Upcoming events arranged by Jewish Students' Union/Hillel, University of Toronto, include —

Monday, Feb. 20 — Conversational Hebrew at 11.20 a.m. and intermediate Hebrew at 12.10 p.m. at JSU/Hillel House, 604 Spadina Ave.

Tuesday, Feb. 21 — Talmud class at 3.10 p.m. at JSU/Hillel House...Floor hockey at 9 p.m. at Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave.

Wednesday, Feb. 22 — Beginners Hebrew at 12.10 p.m. at JSU/Hillel House...Israel Support and Action Coalition (ISAAC) presents **David Oren**, Israeli consul, speaking on What's New in Israel: A Current Events Update at 4.30 p.m. in University College Room 85...Call 923-9861 to reserve for Friday's Shabbat dinner at JSU/Hillel House.

Thursday, Feb. 23 — Monty Python film festival continues with And Now For Something Completely Different at 2 p.m. at JSU/Hillel...Weekly Torah portion class at 3.10 p.m...Tehila Choir at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

Call JSU/HIllel at 923-9861 regarding the trip to Israel this May at affordable student rates. Plans are to leave on or about May 8 in order to celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut in Jerusalem. This trip is co-sponsored by Jewish Student federation of York University and is open to all university/college students.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND HILLEL

The B'nai B'rith Hillel-Federation Jewish Student Centre at the University of Maryland in College Park is celebrating 50 years on campus. The year-long celebration will feature cultural, educational and reunion-oriented events during the spring and fall semesters. A highlight of the program will be a multi-generational homecoming reunion featuring a variety of local performing and visual artists.

A mailing list of all interested alumni is being established to provide up-to-date information on the variety of events. If you would like more information of the activities planned, send your name, address and date of graduation to Hillel, PO Box 187, College Park, Maryland, 20740. If you wish to phone, contact **Jill Cohen** at (301) 422-6200.

SPRING COURSES

Registration for the spring session of courses at the North York YMCA is now open. Call 225-7773 to register for such courses as Creating Together, Super Snoops, Kindergym, Tickle Trunk, Adult Pottery and many more.

KIDSWORLD DAY CAMP

Kidsworld Day Camp, a summer day camp in the Finch-Leslie area for children ages 3-7, is now in its 9th year of operation. It offers hot lunches, transportation door to door, instructional swimming, day trips, computers, drama, music, Shabbat programs and Israel theme days.

For information, call 635-1177.

SINGLES SKI PACKAGE

A cross-country ski package for singles is being arranged at the Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre, Parry Sound, from Friday, March 17, to Sunday, March 19.

This package includes cross-country ski classes, a wide variety of indoor and outdoor activities, accommodation, all meals (under supervision of kashruth committee, Toronto Jewish Congress), evening refreshments and more.

The cost is $125 per person based on double occupancy. Round trip transportation is available for $40. For more information, call 630-1180.

THEATRE PARTY

Toronto Women's ORT Casablanca Chapter is sponsoring a theatre party to see the National Ballet of Canada presentation of The Merry Widow at O'Keefe Centre on Tuesday, May 9 (matinee performance).

Tickets are $18 and are available by calling **Gert Roher** at 492-5222 or the ORT office at 787-0297.

BBW COUNCIL OF TORONTO

B'nai B'rith Women's Council of Toronto is holding its annual installation of officers on Thursday, March 2, at 7 p.m. at Adath Shalom Synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W.

For reservations, call **Bonnie Boltman** at 445-7911 or **Susan Marshall** at 738-4503.

STROKE & SPEECH CENTRE

Visit the Stroke and Speech Centre-North

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GIFTWRAPPING PROJECT

Toronto Women's ORT recently completed another successful holiday giftwrapping project at Hillcrest Mall under the capable chairmanship of Kati Harari. Pictured above are three stalwart wrappers (from left) Sophie Wachstein, Esther Bogo and Min Thomas.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Vice-president Jack Muskat (right) presents a plaque on behalf of the Association for the Soldiers of Israel to Mary and Max Stern who marked their 50th wedding anniversary with a large contribution to the soldiers of Israel.

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York, 7 Edithvale Dr. during open house Feb. 20-23 from 9.45 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. This is an opportunity to watch volunteers and members interacting, meet the staff, and decide if you could help. Everyone is welcome.

For information, call 226-3636.

BLOOD DONOR CLINICS

Blood donor clinics being held in Metro and outlying areas during the month of February include —

The ManuLife Blood Donor Clinic, 55 Bloor St. W., operates Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m and Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The phone number is 924-5955.

The Downtown Clinic at Royal Bank Plaza, Merchant's Mall level, 200 Bay St., runs Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The number is 861-0145.

For further information on blood donor clinics, call 974-9900 or 593-22558.

for seniors

Senior Adult Services, Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St. is offering free tax preparation assistance for seniors, in cooperation with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, on Tuesdays, Feb. 28 to April 11, from 6.30-9 p.m. Call early to reserve the time and date you want. For appointments, contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 232...On Tuesday, Feb. 21, Senior Adult Services Learning Experiences program is presenting **David Weinberg**, director of research, Canada-Israel Committee, whose topic will be Israel Update. The time is 1 p.m. in Room 203-204. Contact **Teme Kernerman** at above number for information.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club is holding a general meeting on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 1 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome. Come spend an enjoyable afternoon. The charge is $1 members, $2 visitors. For information, call **Bess** at 783-3206.

Lisa Shein entertains with a program of international songs at the **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50** meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 1.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Coffee and cake will be served. The charge is $1.50 for non-members.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club — Partial activities during February and through to mid-March include barber service on Mondays, 9 a.m. to noon; shuffleboard on Mondays and Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon; ballroom and line dancing on Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon...The Saturday night dances continue as scheduled, weather permitting. If weather is bad, check with **Charles Cohen** at 741-4462 or **Mary Gregg** at 633-6184. Also, call them for information about all activities...A trip to the Catskills is planned for July 27-Aug.1 at the Pines Hotel. Avoid disappointment, call the office at 636-7856 Mondays or Tuesdays for information. This is for members only...New membership is available for 1989.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave. — Singer-pianist **Ellen Krylov** will begin a regular program on Monday, March 13, at 1 p.m. This is free to members...Tai Chi and dancersize will continue indefinitely...On Monday, March 6, at 1 p.m., **Bob Pritchard** will give a lecture and documentary on drugs and drug-food interaction. The charge is $1 members, $1.50 guests...Upcoming outings include The Three Penny Opera at the Bluma Appel Theatre on Wednesday, March 15 ($11 members, $12 non-members); a musical What About Love at Cullen Barns Wednesday, March 29 ($13 members, $14 guests); a National Ballet of Canada performance of The Merry Widow at O'Keeefe Centre Tuesday, May 9; Kiss Me Kate at Stratford on May 15 (prices to be adjusted)...In the planning is a trip to the Catskills at the Homowack Hotel early in July and a trip to Israel is in the early planning stage. For information about all programs, contact **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — The Wellness Education Group is presenting Play It Safe: Accident Prevention in the Home with lecturer **Nadine Crafton**, occupational therapist, Baycrest Centre, on Wednesday, Feb. 23, from 1.30-2.30 p.m. Admissison is free but to ensure seating, register by Feb. 21...Bingo is arranged for Sunday, Feb. 19, from 2-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room...On Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 7.30 p.m. enjoy the swing and sounds of the 30s and 40s with The Bolton Big Band and band leader **Freddie Martin**...Aluma Canadian Israeli Club for Israelis and Hebrew-speaking persons 55 and over meets every Wednesday evening from 7.30-9.30. For information, call **Shelley Dunkelman** at 789-5131, ext. 2273.

A reminder that former members of **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** are welcome to attend the brotherhood breakfast meetings on Sunday mornings. Check the What's New column under the Sunday date for details.

Club Chaverim of the Jewish Community Centre North-East Valley branch meets on Mondays at 1 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. For information, call 889-0813.

Senior Sinai's Golden Book is still ongoing. Place your donation with **Frances Malkin** at 226-3252 or **Ida Himmelstein** at 630-3862 between 7 and 9 p.m.

This week's activities for **Bloor Y Seniors** include — Monday, Feb. 20, knitting at 10 a.m. and bridge at 1 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 21, fitness at 12.30 p.m. and current events at 2 p.m.; Wednesday, Feb. 22, singalong at 1.30 p.m.; Thursday, Feb. 23, fitness at 12.30 p.m. and bingo at 2 p.m. The Bloor Y branch of the Jewish Community Centre is located at 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). For information, call 924-6211.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

La'Briyut Wellness Centre is presenting a program on Seniors Coping with Grief on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 1.30 p.m. **David Wright**, professional consultant, Bereaved Families of Ontario, will preside at an afternoon of sharing experiences for seniors who have lost an adult child. Refreshments will be served.

The third session of the course, Understanding Intimacy in Later Years, with marriage and family counsellor **Estelle Altman** takes place Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 1-2.30 p.m. There is a $2 charge for each session. This course is co-sponsored by the Wellness Clinic and the Lifelong Learning Institute. For information, call **Bookie Kwart** or **Shari Cherney** at 225-2112.

A Celebration of Purim with the Creative Choir, hamentashen and coffee is set for Wednesday, March 22, at 1.30 p.m. This is for members only and the charge is $2.

The movie, Tough Guys, will be screened Sunday, Feb. 19, at 2.30 p.m. Admission is free for members, $1 for non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Feb. 22 features **Faye Kellerstein** and **Gloria Lopas** in a program of song and music. The time is 1.30 p.m. Refreshments will be served following the entertainment. The charge is $1.50 members, $2 non-members.

The Friendship Circle for people 55 and over and living on their own meets on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. when **Stella Rudolf** will show a video, Canadian Volunteer Program for Israel, and then play Israeli music on the piano. This is for Friendship Circle members only. The fee is $1.

DISCOVERY 88 REUNION

A reunion of participants of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute mission, Discovery 88, was held at the home of Florence and David Geneen recently. Enjoying remenisicing about the trip are (from left) James Gutmann, Murray Menkes and Joel Greisman.

ary Sun dance on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 8.30 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Admission is $7 and there will be a deejay, refreshments and cash bar. For more information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

The NE Valley Singles Network is looking for volunteers who are willing to devote time and energy to planning programs. Call **Luni** at the above number if you are interested.

About People

REFORM COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

Rosalie Abella has been appointed as chairman of the Ontario Law Reform Commission. A family court judge, she has served as chairman of the Ontario Labor Relations Board since 1984 and a member of the Ontario Human Rights Commission from 1975 to 1980.

Judge Abella succeeds **James Breithaupt** who has headed up the board since 1984. At the Ontario Labor Relations Board she will be replaced by vice-chairman **Morton Mitchnick**.

The appointments are for 3-year terms.

BB CANADA TO HONOR AL WAXMAN

The prestigious Humanitarian Award will be presented to **Al Waxman** by B'nai B'rith Canada at a tribute dinner, Sunday, Oct. 29.

Over 1,000 people are expected to attend and proceeds from the event will be designated to The League for Human Rights, a national agency dedicated to combatting racism and bigotry.

A star of TV and films, Waxman has been involved with charitable causes from coast to coast. He has been spokesman for the United Appeal, Israel Bonds, the Canadian Cancer Society, St. Stephen's Community House, the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, Variety Club and numerous other organizations.

Dinner chairman for the event is **Sara Waxman** and the campaign chairman is **Alex Grossman**. **Garth Drabinsky, Eddie Greenspan** and **Jon Slan** are serving as honorary chairmen.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of the Canadian Jewish News. ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Shayla at 422-2528.*

Singles Congregations' Network — Anniversary Brunch, Sunday, February 19th 11:30 a.m. Beth Emeth Synagogue, 100 Elder St. Entertainment, door prize. Tickets $7.00 advance, $9.00 at door. Pick-up tickets at JCC North, South, Valley and Beth Emeth office.

YRYMETS NVESAM

Puzzled? For the complete picture, phone Rich or Fern (225-8084) and be a part of Toronto's newest and most creative dining adventure.

Games Jewish Singles Play.

New social groups invite you to share an evening of socializing and fun. Ages 26-40 and 41-69, Saturday, February 18, 8 p.m. Beth Torah Synagogue, 47 Glenbrook, Downstairs Social Hall. *Chutzpah, Trivial Pursuit, Bridge, Scrabble etc. Admission $5. Refreshments. Information - Mollie 889-5555; Myrna 223-6028.

Dance away the February Blues at Bloor JCC, Sunday, February 26, 7:00-11:00 p.m. $10.00 includes light buffet, D.J., dancing and cash bar. For more information contact Beverly Brock at 924-6211.

JCC Singles Network — Northeast Valley Branch invites you to our "Sunshine and Fun in the February Sun" dance. Sunday, Feb. 19th, 1989, 8:30 p.m. Admission $7. DJ, refreshments, cash bar. 7015 Leslie St., Thornhill. For more information call Luni, 889-0813.

Partytime Productions Presents — A Singles Party at Hannibals, 5075 Yonge Street, North of Sheppard. With 75 cent draft beers and other specials. Sunday, Feb. 19, 7:30 p.m. $5 in advance at Hannibals, $7 at door. Info - Steve 783-8089.

Total living mature singles, invite you to a Sweetheart Dance, featuring party time D.J. — Pat Iannone, on Saturday, Feb. 18th, from 8-12 p.m. Earl Bales Park Community Centre, refreshments, prizes, members $5, guests $6.

USDS CHUMASH CEREMONY

United Synagogue Day School's annual Chumash ceremony was recently celebrated by all grade 2 classes. From left are Erin Richards, Matthew Gordner and Robbie Signer.

at the jcc

The JCC Maccabi Youth Club presents Teen Dance on Saturday, Feb. 18, from 7.30-11.30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre north branch, 4588 Bathurst St. The price of $3 Maccabi Youth members, $5 non-members, includes pop, snacks and deejay. For more information, call **Lysa** or **Ruthie** at 636-1880.

The Bloor Y is hosting a dance To Fight the February Blues on Sunday, Feb. 26, from 7-11 p.m. with a light buffet, deejay, dancing and possibilities. Contact **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211 for information.

The Bloor Y is accepting applications for March Fun Days, a school break program for children 5-10 years of age. For more information, call **Beverly Brock** at above number.

Bloor Y is also accepting applications for Summer Fun Camp. Contact Beverly Brock about this too.

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network invites you to a Sunshine and Fun in the Febru-

Jews grin and "bear" it

By PHIL FINE

ANCHORAGE, Alsk — In this city of 174,000 on Alaska's south coast, Jews not only have to contend with snow, cold and isolation but with grizzlies and caribous as well.

Caribous? Yes, caribous, says Torontonian Mel Sutton. On a visit to Anchorage last Rosh Hashanah, he and his wife Sharon were told by one member of Congregation Beth Sholom that shooing the antlered animals out of the backyard was part and parcel of groundskeeping Alaska-style.

And, as for grizzlies; well, they're frequently found padding along Anchorage's outlying trails, says Sutton.

But boreal bears and caribous aside, what impressed Sutton about the city were the members of Beth Sholom itself, a reform-conservative hybrid.

The congregants, several of whom were Inuit, were hospitable, enthusiastic and remarkable for their pioneering spirit, says Sutton. Indeed, many women at the shul flew their own planes. And one man, an ex-Torontonian now a lawyer in Kotzebue on Alaska's northwest coast, flew in just for Yom Tov.

Another surprise were the culinary skills of the congregants, many of whom, says Sutton, made challot and kichlich for Oneg Shabbat.

Beth Sholom, which moved to new quarters in early Sept., holds services only on erev Shabbat. Although neither the Jewish Almanac nor the Jewish Travelers' Resource Guide lists any synagogues or Jewish institutions in Alaska, Sutton says there is an Orthodox congregation in the Anchorage yellow pages.

Visitors to the city shouldn't have any trouble finding a place to stay. Sutton says the hospitality of Beth Sholom members probably surpasses that of almost any other Jewish community.

Camp Shalom head is busy planning for 41st season

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Summer may be the furthest thing from people's minds as they scrape off their cars and endure winter's wrath. However, for Camp Shalom's new director, Joel Landau, the frigid temperatures mean the 1989 camping season is just around the corner.

"I hope to work there several years and bring some consistency to the camp," said Landau, who takes over from Marcia Gilbert, executive director of Emunah Women in Toronto.

"I hope it will be a fun, healthy and safe summer and the camp will continue to have the same reputation as in the past."

If it does, Landau, will join a long list of directors who have helped make the Young Judaea camp a success.

Joel Landau

The camp was founded in 1948 by Harris Gulko who purchased Silver Birch Lodge on the camp's present site near Gravenhurst, Ont., for around $20,000. Since then Shalom has been a summer haven for thousands of campers who have left with fond memories.

Among the camp's prominent alumni are York University president Harry Arthurs, Senator Jerry Grafstein, Michele Landsberg, Al Hamel, Eddie and Brian Greenspan, Cineplex's Garth Drabinsky and MPP Ron Kanter.

Now, as the camp prepares to accommodate 400 campers (200 each session) during its 41st season, Landau is planning on leaving his own mark.

"I believe in informality and fairness," said Landau, who has an extensive background in camping. "I will try to be part of the programs, lead singsongs and sporting events and generally lead by example.

"If the staff is happy and fulfilled, it will filter down to the campers," he added.

Landau said he likes the informal lifestyle found at summer camp and enjoys working with teenagers and children. He added that he likes the challenge of providing the best staff and programs with a limited amount of money.

Landau has been working at summer camps since 1966 when he became a counsellor at Camp Norval. Since then he has worked in a number of camps in varying capacities including section head at Camp Whitepine and Camp Northland, assistant director at Camp E-Yo-Ca, supervisor at George Auerbach's Teen Caravan and director of Camp Katonim.

Since summer does not last all year though, Landau spends his winter months in high schools, teaching chemistry, music and math. He is currently on leave from William Lyon Mackenzie Collegiate Institute and is doing a doctorate on counselling at OISE.

Landau is also involved in the Jewish community as a Big Brother for Jewish Family & Child Service and as a teen advisor at the Jewish Community Centre.

Law students conference features noted legal eagles

By
AVI HYMAN —
TORONTO —
The Canadian Jewish Law Students Association Conference turned out to be one of the biggest events of the year.

The opening banquet featured Irwin Cotler, as well as Justus Weiner from the Israeli ministry of justice on the formulation of policy in the territories.

The next day saw lawyer Eddie Greenspan, Judge Henry Steinberg from Quebec and former crown attorney and U of T Prof. Lorraine Weinrib on the card.

Later in the day, participants were being treated to workshops with such noted legal eagles as Morris Manning on legal aspects of the Morgentaler decisions, Robert Kaplan, MP, on Nazi war criminals, Bernard Dickens on ethics and the law, and a forum on hate literature and related legal aspects with John Pearson, Crown Prosecutor for the Zundel Case, David Matas and Allan Borovoy. Allan Shefman was moderating.

Irving Abella closed out the conference on the topic of Canada-Israel political relations.

Jessica Growe of the CJLSA said students from all over the country (Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary, Toronto, Montreal, Kingston, London, Windsor and Ottawa) attended plus some Americans.

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Palestinians learned to use violence from Jews, according to Amir Hussain, a guest speaker at a symposium on Liberty and Liberation held at University College of the University of Toronto recently.

"The use of terrorism (by Palestinians) is not surprising since Jews used terrorism against the British, and there is no doubt that it was (former Israeli Prime Minister) Begin's legacy that led to some Palestinians using terrorism," said Hussain, a graduate student at the University of Toronto's Centre for Religious Studies.

Hussain attempted to equate the continuing Israeli occupation and the Palestinian uprising with the American civil rights movement. "The crime of throwing stones withers and dies in the light of Israeli violence," said Hussain, who started his talk by stating that he was neither Palestinian nor Israeli.

Hussein lost control of the question-and-answer period after answering a question on why Palestinian moderates are repeatedly threatened or killed by other Arabs by saying that in many instances "moderates" are assassinated by Israelis.

In an effort to stop the crowd from growing more agitated when Hussain continued in his answers to questions, Prof. Krystyna Sieciechowicz of the department of anthropology put an end to the discussion.

Hussain's talk was part of the 11th annual University College Public Lectures symposium. This year's topic was chosen to mark the 200th anniversary of the French Revolution.

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The University of Toronto Students' Group (83) of Amnesty International held an evening lecture on "Human Rights and the United Nations" recently which featured former Canadian U.N. Ambassador Stephen Lewis as the keynote speaker.

According to a spokesman, nearly 300 people crammed the George Ignatieff Theatre.

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Some other happenings included McMaster University (Hamilton) Hillel's Holocaust Week which featured Manuel Prutschi of the Canadian Jewish Congress who spoke on Holocaust denial.

At the same time, McMaster's Moslem Students Association sponsored a forum on Human Rights In South Africa, El Salvador and Palestine.

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Organizations and People

Mechanic to receive Heritage Award

Yeshiva U Friends to honor Windsor leader

WINDSOR, ONT. —

The Canadian Friends of Yeshiva University will honor David Mechanic, chairman of the board of Checker Industrial Rubber and Tire Limited, at a tribute dinner, Sunday, May 7, at 6 p.m. at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue here it was announced by Gershon Stern, national president of the Canadian Friends.

Mechanic, who is also secretary of Ronda Holdings, Ltd., will be presented with Yeshiva University's Heritage Award for his outstanding leadership in Jewish communal and humanitarian causes and his ongoing support of Jewish higher education.

Financier Henry (Skip) Kovinsky of Windsor is serving as chairman of the dinner, which will benefit the Bora Laskin Scholarship Fund for Canadian students at Yeshiva University.

Moe Closs, president of Chrysler Canada, is serving as honourary chairman.

Members of the dinner committee include Coleman Friedman, Anna Mae Gompertz, Max Gompertz, Pincus Jarcaig, Robie Katzman, Sid Katzman, Brenda Kovinsky, and Alan Zekelman.

After serving in the Royal Canadian Air Force for five years, Mechanic became manager and president of Checker Cab Windsor, Ltd., the company founded by his late father, William Mechanic. He later founded and served as president of Cartier Parking, Ltd.

David Mechanic

Mechanic is a former vice-president of the Windsor Jewish Community Council who was instrumental in obtaining the present site of the Windsor Jewish Community Centre.

He has been an involved member of Shaar Hashomyim since its founding, serving for 14 years on its Religious School Board. He is also a member of the Balfour Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, Association of Jewish War Veterans of Canada, and Windsor Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

In communal and professional life, Mechanic has served as president of the Transportation Safety Association of Ontario, Welfare Council of the Windsor Community Fund, and Essex County Retail Gasoline Association.

He conducted the first door-to-door cancer drive in Windsor and served as chairman of the Crippled Children's Committee. He is also a former director of the Downtown Retail Association and a member of the Masons, Shriners, Rotary Club, and Goodwill Industries.

Mechanic has long been concerned with traffic safety. As a director of the Essex County Automobile Club and Windsor Traffic Safety Council, he developed the driver education program that was adopted by the Windsor Board of Education.

Mechanic and his wife, Lorraine, are the parents of Nathan, Esther, Sharon and Bill.

For information about the May 7th dinner, call the Canadian Friends of Yeshiva University in Toronto at (416) 785-5011.

Bracelets to help Ethiopians

By PHIL FINE

TORONTO —

Three Jewish organizations have come up with a novel way of both helping Ethiopian Jews and of heightening awareness of their plight.

B'nai B'rith Hillel, the World Union of Jewish Students and the American Association for Ethiopian Jews are selling silver and leather bracelets to raise money for the relief and rescue of the estimated 10,000 to 15,000 Jews still in Ethiopia.

The bracelets, made by Ethiopians in Israel, are engraved with "Reunify Ethiopian Jewry" and, on the other side, with "Beta Israel" (The term for Ethiopian Jews) in English, Hebrew and Amharic, Ethiopia's official language.

Each bracelet comes with the name, address and biography of an Israeli Ethiopian child whose family remains in Ethiopia. It is hoped purchasers will write to the children.

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Canadian killed at Normandy

Fred Harris family sought

TORONTO —

On D-Day, June 6, 1944 The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, Toronto regiment, disembarked in Normandy and swept across the beaches at Bernieres Sur Mer.

Enemy fire was heavy and the regiment suffered many casualties, including Sgt. Fred B. Harris of Toronto.

Fred had many friends and was a popular member of the regiment. His grave is in the Canadian war cemetery at Beny Sur Mer.

One of his close regimental friends was Torontonian Jim Wilkins, who went in with Fred on that fateful day but managed to survive. In June of 1980 he went back to Normandy to visit the landing beaches and to relive the trials of the invasion period.

The grave of Sgt. Fred Harris of Toronto in the Canadian cemetery in Normandy.

Wilkins was billeted with Madame Micheline Mandal, 14 Rue Jules Rame, Caen, 14000, Normandy, France. Madame Mandal told Wilkins she has been looking after Fred Harris's grave for many years. Wilks feels that Harris' family would want to know that a French Roman Catholic family has taken it upon itself to say prayers and look after his resting place.

However, Wilkins told The CJN he isn't sure where the family resides — they used to live either on Palmerston Ave. or Beverley St. in Toronto and he thinks Fred's father was a medical doctor.

If anybody knows the whereabouts of the Harris family, they should contact Joe Resnick for more information. The phone number is (416) 663-7863; or you can write to Joe at 205 Torresdale Ave., Willowdale, Ont. M2R 3E7.

Multicultural projects funded

TORONTO —

The provincial government is providing about $250,000 to help colleges response to the province's multicultural needs, Colleges and Universities Minister Lyn McLeod and Citizenship Minister Gerry Phillips recently announced.

Seven colleges will share the funding to set up multicultural demonstration projects such as researching community and student needs, further developing college courses to reflect the multicultural nature of society and training college staff.

McLeod also announced a government-sponsored multicultural colloquium to allow these initiatives to be shared by the entire college community.

"These projects will enhance our government's efforts to ensure post-secondary education is accessible to all qualified Ontarians," she said.

The colleges will work with ethnic and cultural organizations to determine the needs of the community. Within the colleges, programs such as law and security and nursing, where graduates work directly with the public, will be reviewed and revised to ensure graduates have a broader knowledge and understanding of multicultural client groups.

Participating colleges include Algonquin in Ottawa, Sheridan in Oakville and George Brown, Humber, Seneca in Metro Toronto, each of which will receive $40,000. As well, Centennial College in Scarborough and Georgian College in Barrie will each get $20,000.

Moroccan leader Benizri dies at 79

MONTREAL —

Eliyahou Benizri, a prominent Jewish community leader in his native Morocco, died here recently at the age of 79.

Benizri, who had been living in Montreal since 1969, was a founder of the Zionist movement in Sale, Morocco, and helped organize the clandestine emigration of Moroccan Jews to Israel.

In 1943, he founded the Talmud Torah in Sale and led fund raising events for the charitable organization Bikour Holim from 1943-51. He was a board member of the Jewish Community of Sale from 1943-64.

He was treasurer of the Chevra Kadisha from 1942-58 and its president from 1958-69.

Benizri was a descendent of the revered religious leader of Morrocan Jewry, Rephael Ancaoua, and was a pious person in his own right. He was noted for carrying out the mitzvah of visiting the sick and serving as a pallbearer.

After arriving in Montreal, he founded and led the Sephardi section of the Adath Yeshurun Synagogue with his sons Avraham and Gavriel. He was an active member of the Chevra Kadisha Hessed Ve'Emeth in Montreal.

Benizri is also survived by his wife the former Fre-ha Abecassis. His remains were buried in Israel.

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Organizations and People

Designed to foster close communication

Students, seniors team to write autobiographies

TORONTO — Collaboration in writing autobiographies is creating links between Baycrest Centre patients and students from Sir Sandford Fleming Secondary School.

Patients at Baycrest shared recollections with English students from Sir Sandford Fleming who helped them write their autobiographies.

Students and seniors talk together following the presentation ceremony of the patients' biographies at Sir Sanford Fleming Secondary School.

The Guided Autobiography Writing Program, a new project of the Department of Therapeutic Recreation and Expressive Therapies in Baycrest Hospital of Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, was designed to foster close communication, sharing and cooperation between the teenagers and older adults.

Interviewing Baycrest Hospital patients reminded the students that growing older includes accumulating many interesting experiences along the way. Patients had the opportunity to relate their life stories about growing up in a very different world.

The project involved 16 patients, each paired with a student from the Grade 11 English class. They met weekly to discuss and write the patient's life history. Students then prepared the patients' biographies on their school's word processing system. This was followed by a presentation ceremony at Sir Sandford Fleming.

"Exposing the students to an older population helped make a link between the generations," said Carolyn Douglas, a recreationist involved with the program. "I think the students learned a lot about older people, and the patients felt very fortunate to have had the opportunity to get to know the students," she added.

Midwifery included in health areas to be regulated

By JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO — A total of 24 health professions — including midwifery which is currently unregulated — would become self-governed through a new Health Professions Procedural Code, if draft legislation, introduced recently by Health Minister Elinor Caplan, is implemented.

Caplan tabled the report of the Health Professions Legislation Review last week, explaining that it was "unusual" to table a report in the form of draft legislation. However, she said she was doing so to give the professions affected and the public time to study the document before introducing legislation.

The Health Professions Legislation Review was initiated by the government led by former Premier Bill Davis in 1982 to review existing legislation and make recommendations regarding which health professions should be regulated.

Toronto lawyer Alan Schwartz was asked to update and reform the 15-year-old Health Disciplines Act and related legislation governing various health professions.

As well, the review was mandated to devise a new structure for all legislation governing health professions and settle outstanding issues involving several professions.

In the process of conducting the review, Schwartz met with more than 200 groups, involving approximately 75 vocations and professions.

The result of the report is a recommendation for an omnibus bill — the Health Professions Procedural Code — which would propose to set common standards for professional self-government. It would contain the majority of organizational, legal and procedural provisions that apply to every profession.

The code would be coupled with individual professional acts for every profession which would contain profession-specific provisions dealing with such matters as composition of the Council and committees. The invidual acts would also state each profession's scope of practice and licensed acts

The omnibus bill would add seven health professions to the 17 which are already covered by a patchwork of various statutes. These include audiologists, dietitians, medical laboratory technologists, midwives, occupational therapists, respiratory technologists and speech language pathologists.

The practice of midwifery deals with the assessment, monitoring and provision of care to women in childbirth.

The list of professions already regulated by the provincial government includes chiropodists, chiropractors, dental hygienists, dentists, denture therapists, massage therapists, nurses, nursing assistants, ophthalmic dispensers, optometrists, osteopaths, pharmacists, physicians, physiotherapists, podiatrists, psychologists and radiological technicians.

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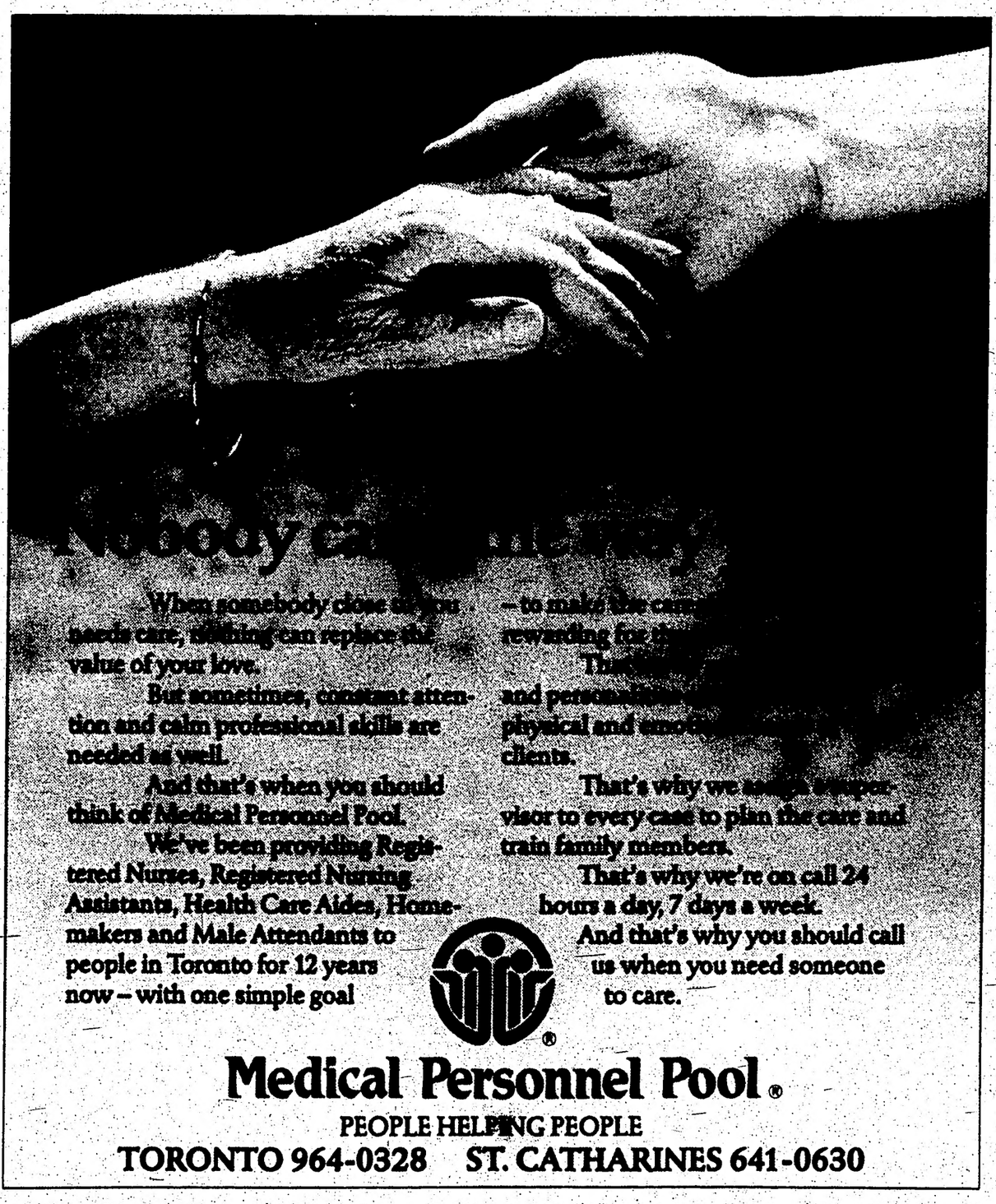
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Montrealer provides the proof

Tapes help bring reparations from E. Germany

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The news that East Germany had reversed its long-standing policy and agreed to pay reparations to Jewish victims of Nazi persecution during World War II was greeted by one Montreal man with an unusual sense of satisfaction.

Joseph Riwash, who escaped from the Vilna ghetto and fought with the partisans, can lay claim to providing Israel and world Jewry with what may have been the decisive argument that East Germans bear equal moral responsibility for Nazi atrocities as West Germans.

Since its founding in 1949, East Germany has argued that it has no such responsibility because it is not a successor government to the Nazi regime, and as communists were also victims of Hitler.

What Riwash provided Israel with was a tape recording of a little-known war crimes trial in Leipzig in 1948 in the Soviet zone of Germany, the only war crimes trial held in what was soon to become the German Democratic Republic.

In pronouncing the sentence on the 25 defendants, all residents of Leipzig, the judge declared that the entire German nation must accept responsibility for Nazi atrocities against the Jews.

The defendants were directors and other key employees of the notorious HASAG (Hans Bauer und Karl Schranz AG) munitions factory, which had used at least 25,000 Jews in Poland as forced labor under inhumane conditions, which resulted in the death of at least 3,000 of them.

Four of the defendants were sentenced to death, two to life imprisonment and 18 others to prison terms ranging from one to 15 years. Only one was acquitted.

This trial before jury was held at the Leipzig District Court from Nov. 15-Dec. 22, 1948. The judge, whose name was Hoelzer, described the defendants as "accomplices of the Nazis in that they adopted the brutal methods of the Nazis to kill Jews, to exploit Jews for forced labor and to rob Jews of their property for personal gain."

Riwash was instrumental in bringing the defendants to trial. For three years after the war, he devoted himself to tracking down Nazi war criminals who had eluded arrest by the Allied authorities. He was founder and director of the War Crimes Section within the Central Committee of Liberated Jews in Munich from December, 1946 to December, 1949, when he left for Canada.

For years, the tape recording gathered dust in a closet of his home, as Riwash puts it, until he finally brought it to Israel in 1973 and handed it over to the archives of Yad Vashem. It proved invaluable to the Holocaust authority's research into the extent of the persecution of Jews in what is now East Germany and the preparation of the claim that East Germany should compensate victims of the Nazis, Riwash said.

The Israeli daily newspaper Ha'aretz reported that upon hearing the tapes, Yad Vashem archives director Joseph Kermisz and another investigator, Emanuel Brand, were convinced that the court's statement demonstrated that "there is no difference between the two Germanys as far as the responsibility for the prosecution of Jews is concerned." Moreover, the fact that the trial took place in what was soon to become East Germany against its own citizens was especially important, they said.

The Yad Vashem officials were also impressed that the judgment made clear that the plunder of Jewish property and the use of Jews as slave labor without compensation was morally unacceptable.

After their acquisition, then Knesset member Gideon Hausner, who was chairman of Yad Vashem, stated in the Knesset that these tapes offered proof that crimes against Jews were committed not only by citizens who lived in West Germany, but also by those in the eastern part of the country and that the East German government's excuses for non-payment could no longer be considered valid.

Hausner proposed that, on the basis of this new evidence, Israel should immediately initiate negotiations with the East German government for reparations to Jewish victims.

The HASAG case was one of the earliest and most protacted Riwash and his staff helped bring to a successful conclusion. They learned in the winter of 1946 that a number of managers of HASAG, which had its headquarters in Leipzig until the Russians arrived, were at large in the Soviet-occupied zone of Germany.

They had run the company's labor camps in Poland, among them was the top man in charge, Gustav Kuehnemann, and his particularly brutal assistant Arthur Rost, who was feared as "the man with the leather whip" and shot women and children at random.

Rost was among the four executed for their misdeeds after the 1948 trial.

"The War Crimes Section was determined that these criminals and their helpers should not go free," Riwash said. The Nazi hunters collected about two dozen sworn statements from HASAG camp survivors which were forwarded to police headquarters in Leipzig and resulted in the arrest and trial of these ex-foremen.

Herzog stresses BGU's importance to development

BEERSHEBA —

During a recent visit here to Ben-Gurion University, Israel President Chaim Herzog reaffirmed BGU's importance to the development of the Negev.

"If the Negev's population is to increase," he said, "much depends on Ben-Gurion University's provision of educational, cultural and medical facilities."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told university officials at a recent meeting in Jerusalem the university would be getting more government funding, a Toronto spokesman for BGU told The CJN.

But Shamir did not say how much, the spokesman added.

The Prime Minister told university officials last fall that he understood their need for more money but that no additional funds were then available, the spokesman said.

Herzog's visit to BGU included a tour of the Institute for Agriculture and Applied Biology whose research in saline water irrigation has found application in Israel as well as Kenya, Botswana and Senegal.

The Canadian Associates of BGU are planning a mission to the university May 22 to 25 to coincide with BGU's board of governors meeting.

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Organizations and People

There's no kishka in sight

Greenfield's goes fleishig with a unique flair

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO — Ballotine of chicken with peach and almond in a bing cherry sauce, aiguilletes of duck with blueberry, terraine of chicken with toasted sesame sauce and grilled chicken and avocado club sandwich are only some of the highlights of Greenfield's Fine Dining new meat menu.

Greenfield's, located at 355 Wilson Ave., just west of Bathurst, opened 4 years ago as a gourmet dairy restaurant, and quickly became known as "the" elegant kosher place to dine. So why the change?

Michael Greenfield, co-owner of the restaurant with his father, Ted, told The CJN that "Toronto is a meat and potatoes town. People thought of fish and dairy as informal, light fare." For a formal evening out, he said, they prefer a meat menu.

Greenfield apprenticed under Albert Schnell, executive chef of Hilton International, and trained "in the finest dining rooms in Montreal," where he developed the flair, imagination and plain technical knowhow to create what is certainly a unique kosher restaurant. No kishka in sight.

The menu is continental, or, as Greenfield prefers to call it, "cuisine courante." "I read a lot, and try to stay on top of what's in style in food."

When creating his recipes, he returned to the classic tradition of Escoffier, which features sauces "made from the finest, finest ingredients, reduced (simmered) for a long time to enrich the flavors to their fullest." After all, he pointed out, in Escoffier's time they didn't have refrigeration to enable them to use a lot of cream and butter in their cooking.

The emphasis is on "the freshest and best possible ingredients," including meat, fruits and vegetables.

In line with today's lighter eating style, there is very little red meat on the menu, although the dinner menu includes a 16 oz. and the lunch menu a 12 oz. rib steak, which Greenfield admits is "a serious statement about meat." A monthly insert in the regular menu, which will be introduced shortly, will also include beef dishes.

Chicken, duck and veal are featured, often grilled or baked in fruit, vegetable or demi-glace sauces. Greenfield waxes eloquent over stuffed escallopes of veal, which he describes as thin slices of veal, stuffed with spinach, duxelles of mushrooms and pine nuts, rolled up, wrapped first in a crepe and then in puff pastry, baked, and served with a demi-glace "almost port wine sauce".

The lunch menu is somewhat lighter and includes hamburger,salads, sandwiches and omelettes. A blackboard lists daily specials for both lunch and supper.

Those who still hanker for fish or vegetarian fare can indulge in salmon and mushroom strudel in a ginger/lime sauce, pastas and oh-so-elegant salads.

Breads and desserts are made on the premises. Besides seasonal pies and flans, Greenfield has created what he calls "the world's most decadent chocolate cake." All he will say about it is "you have to try it — if you are a chocoholic it will throw you into hypoglycemia for a month".

Greenfield calls his wine selection "phenomenal." The kosher wine industry has flowered in the past few years, he says, and he stocks a wide selection of wines from Israel, France, Italy, Hungary, and California. There is a new Rothschild Burgoyne, which he says is "unbelievable — red and fruity. There are only two cases in North America, and we have both of them".

Don't worry about the old tradition of red wine with beef and white with fish or chicken, he advises. "Wine should enhance a meal, so drink what you enjoy."

The success of a fine dining room, Greenfield said, is dependent on, besides the food, two things — attention to detail and consistency. The reason he can maintain his high standards, he said, is his "wonderful staff, who care very much what happens around here."

Many have been with him since the establishment opened, and "really enjoy working here." The dining room staff "know the customers' tastes, and can recommend just what they would enjoy best".

It's not just the food or the service by themselves that make dining at Greenfield's memorable; those features blend with the black and pink art deco decor, soft lights, candles and gentle dinner music to create an ambience of romance and elegance.

Greenfield's, which is under the supervision of the Vaad Hakashruth of Toronto Jewish Congress Orthodox Division, is open for lunch Monday to Thursday 11.30-2.30, and for dinner Sunday to Thursday from 5 to 10. Until the clocks change, dinner is also served until 10 pm after Shabbat (call for the exact time service begins)and you can come for cake and coffee after that, on Saturday night only.

Vancouver Kosher Food Fest proves a scrumptious success

By
GARY POGROW

VANCOUVER — The Vancouver Jewish community's 3-day recent Kosher Food Festival was a scrumptious success.

Sponsored by the Lubavitch Centre, it featured two of Vancouver's prominent chefs, Susan Mendelson and Umberto Menghi, as well as Lubavitch favorites Albert Ohayon and Yossi Gottesman.

"Yiddishkeit is not only what one does on the outside but it is also what one puts inside," said Rabbi Yitzchak Wineberg as he opened the festivities.

The Centre's main hall, designed by local artist Henry Meyer, was colorfully decorated with exhibits of kosher wines, breads, fruits, and displays including How to Kosher a kitchen, and large blown up photographs of various aspects of kosher practice. All the displays had recipe cards and pamphlets about the various aspects of Kashrut.

There were demonstrations on how to kosher a chicken, challah braiding, and a talk on kosher wines.

In the centre of the room was the chefs' working area, built specifically for this event, where they prepared their specialties in front of an enthusiastic audience. The dishes were then offered to the people to taste.

Mendelson, who owns the Lazy Gourmet and has written numerous cook books, prepared a series of Middle Eastern foods ranging from tahina, spinach balls with sesame, a humous with a charif hot sauce, to marinated mushrooms, fried eggplant to spinach puffs to a most unique dish — a roasted garlic sandwich on pita bread.

Menghi, who owns Umberto's and other exclusive Vancouver restaurants as well as a fast food pasta chain, entertainingly made three pasta dishes-linguini con soglidla, fosilli ala Romana, and cannoli ala semplice.

He is a lover of his art and savors everything about food and cooking. "Anyone can cook," he said, "but to be-good, you must personalize the food and be friendly with the ambience because you get out what you put in to it."

Menghi said that a lot of Italian dishes can be kosher because with pasta you need to keep the ingredients simple. "By keeping it simple, you maintain the goodness in the natural flavor of the food." And he urged, "You must have a love affair with the ingredients."

Ohayon, whose delectable Moroccan fish and other specialties were served throughout the festival, demonstrated how to make egg rolls. And Gottesman demonstrated how to braid challah.

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Organizations and People

Includes tips on shopping for right kinds of food

Low-cholesterol cookbook promotes good health

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — When Jacqueline and Richard Margolese married over 30 years ago, they were slightly ahead of their time in recognizing that diet was one of the few factors in the development of heart disease within one's control.

Both had a history of heart disease in their families, and were convinced by the data available even then that low-fat cooking would be the norm at their household. That was not to suggest that the Margoleses were willing to give up dishes and desserts they enjoyed; so adapting favorite recipes to require less fat has become a habit in her kitchen.

Jacqueline's philosophy is replace high fat ingredients with those that have less or unsaturated fat, without detracting from the flavor of the dish.

She can boast that she, her husband and two children in their 20s today have cholesterol levels well within the desirable range, and none feel they are depriving themselves of the enjoyment of food.

Margolese is now sharing her experience in a new cookbook Eat Heart-y, a revised edition of The Doctor's Eat Hearty Guide to Good Health and Long Life, published in 1974, written with her husband, who is now chief of oncology at the Jewish General Hospital. The recipes all have a low saturated fat and low cholesterol content, as well as minimal salt, and include many international dishes.

"While other factors are also involved, diet control is presently the most practical way to protect your life from the high risk of heart disease," Richard writes in the introduction.

This approach to fundamentally changing one's diet, if it has been high fat, works because it is "painless and simple," he says.

In this revised edition, Jacqueline has further reduced the fat and cholesterol in the recipes to conform with new evidence that blood cholesterol levels should be even lower than previously thought to reduce the risk of atherosclerosis, the build up of cholesterol deposits on the inner lining of blood vessels.

The introduction includes a guide to the different types of fat: saturated (the bad one, basically from animal sources); poly-unsaturated fats (primarily from grains in the form of oils and considered helpful in preventing heart disease); and the mono-saturated fats, recently discovered to also be beneficial, and found in olive and peanut oils.

A discussion of the difference and relationship between cholesterol and saturated fats, and recognizing the hidden fats in processed foods is also found at the beginning of the book. Palm and coconut oils, high in saturated fat, are widely used by manufacturers, as well as the process of hydrogenation which converts unsaturated fats into saturates. The key is to read the labels on all processed foods.

Margolese warns against the purchase of imitation dairy products, such as whipped toppings, which are often labelled "no cholesterol."

"What these products do contain, however, is coconut oil, a much more saturated fat than even butter," she said.

Eat Heart-y contains valuable tips on how to shop for the rights kinds of food, Margarines, for example, commonly thought to be a healthy substitute for butter, actually vary widely in their unsaturated fat content, with the whipped type being the closest to oil's unsaturated form.

Margolese's recipes make ample use of yogurt (often as a substitute for sour cream), cocoa plus oil instead of chocolate, and her own whipped cream substitute using skim milk powder. Spices and herbs are used generously to reduce the need for salt.

Egg yolks are avoided as much as possible. In cakes calling for three eggs, for example, Margolese uses two whole eggs and the only the white of the third, discarding the yolk.

Eat Heart-y has chapters on appetizers and hors d'oeuvres, soups, salads and dressings, vegetables, fish, poultry, meat, vegetarian, quick breads and muffins, cookies and squares, cakes, icings and fillings, pies and other desserts. Throughout there tips on how to cut the fatty corners.

Microwave and conventional cooking methods are offered for many recipes, as well as a note on whether they can be frozen.

Red meat is not a dirty word at the Margolese household, but Jacqueline sticks to lean cuts like flank steak and small point briskets. Lamb is also a favorite because much of its fat is visible and therefore removable.

Margolese, who has written a syndicated column carried in Canadian and U.S. newspapers and given courses on low fat cooking, will give a lecture on Low Fat Eating at the Davis YM-YWHA Feb. 15 at 10 a.m.

Eat Heart-y is available in Montreal book stores, or may be ordered by mail: P.O. Box 262 "J", Westmount H3Z 2T2. The price is $25 per copy, plus $2 for handling and postage.

Swiss agencies drops Israel

GENEVA (JTA) — Four leading Swiss travel agencies have dropped Israel from their 1989 tour catalogues.

A spokesman for the industry explained that the Swiss public considers trips to Israel too risky because of the Palestinian uprising. Travel bureaus are therefore directing their clients to safer destinations, he said.

About 50,000 Swiss tourists visited Israel in 1987, but the number fell to 45,000 in 1988 and is expected to be much lower this year.

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Healthwatch

One-sided hearing loss may indicate a tumor

Compiled by
DAVID BIRKAN

One-sided hearing loss, dizziness, and attendant balance problems should be checked immediately, warns the Acoustic Neuroma Association of Canada (PO Box 369, Edmonton, T5J 2J6; or phone (403) 428-3384). They could be early warning signs of a dangerous tumor.

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At Yeshiva University's recent annual convocation, U.S. Surgeon General Everett Koop said that people will rely less on — and have less faith in — "high technology medical cures and more on do-it-yourself health programs."

At the same time, he said that high-tech medical miracles would continue to be expected because "some people in medicine have been unwise enough to promote that kind of reverance."

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The common laxative ingredient psyllium has been found once again to be effective in reducing cholesterol.

American Dietetic Association researchers reported in San Francisco recently that psyllium aided patients on an American Heart Association diet to reduce their cholesterol levels.

This confirmed an earlier study that showed a 15% total cholesterol drop in patients on other diets and psyllium. It should be used only under a physician's guidance.

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The average person breaks wind 13.6 times a day, expelling a total volume of almost 700 ml. of gas.

These findings by Michigan State University medicine Prof. David Greenbaum were published recently in Modern Medicine of Australia. They have "theoretical and practical value in dealing with the clinical problem of gaestrointestinal gas," he wrote.

He suggested that the offensive smell of flatus was caused not by the gas but by trace amounts of volatile amines, fatty acids, and sulphur containing substances.

Too much belching or broken wind, he said, was due to "larger than normal volumes of gas within the gastrointestinal tract." Contributing to this could be carbonated beverages, chewing gum, and the imperfect digestion of milk products, certain fruits, and vegetables.

New York Jewish festival set

By
ROSE KLEINER

NEW YORK —

The International Jewish Festival '89 will be held here Feb. 18-21. It will take place on Pier 88 of the Passenger Ship Terminal, at 12th Ave. and 55th St.

The largest showcase of Jewish lifestyle products and services, the festival will feature over 200 exhibits — of art, Judaica, crafts, giftware, educational materials, and religious articles.

A program of special events is planned for the event.

Many new kosher food products are scheduled to be launched by various national food companies. These will be added to the 17,000 certified kosher products already in the marketplace.

One of the special events at the festival will be the preparation of the world's largest kosher hero sandwich. It is destined for inclusion in the Guinness World Book of Records.

Attendance is expected to number over 20,000 visitors, representing all branches of the Jewish community.

For young adults, and college students, as well as for singles of any age, "the festival offers an opportunity to be part of a community event, and to meet new people," according to the organizers.

The hours are: Saturday, Feb. 18, 7:30 to midnight; Sunday and Monday, Feb. 19 and 20, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 21, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sleep disorders plague elderly

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

As people grow older sleep often becomes a dreaded chore, something that eludes them for hours each night.

An expert in this area is Jeffrey Lipsitz, principal physician at the Sleep Disorders Centre of Metropolitan Toronto on Lawrence Ave. W.

"It is common for the elderly to have difficulty falling asleep. Very often they also experience fragmented, night time sleep and early morning wakening," says Lipsitz who spoke recently at a lecture sponsored by Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre's Wellness Education Group.

Lipsitz says several different sleep disorders plague the elderly causing them to get a lot less sleep than they may actually need. One problem is gastro-esophageal reflux in which the stomach acids move up into the lower end of the food pipe when a person is lying flat causing burning pain or coughing. Another condition is restless leg syndrome in which people have an uncomfortable sensation in their calves which makes them want to move their legs to shake out the sensation.

"Some people have a condition whereby their legs twitch while they are asleep which wakes them up," says Lipsitz.

He says that rather than depend on medicine to get a night's sleep the elderly should try several pointers towards better sleep hygiene.

"First of all avoid caffeine in all forms. As well avoid alcohol before bedtime. It may help tense people fall asleep but often leads to fragmented sleep," he says.

He advises not to eat a heavy meal before sleep, watch television or read for long hours in bed. "If you're unable to sleep within a reasonable period get up and go to another room. Stay there until you feel sleepy then go back to bed."

Lipsitz tells patients to try to go to bed the same time every night. "Don't go too early because you end up spending too much time in bed unable to fall asleep."

He also says to wake up at the same time each morning. "By limiting your hours in bed you may end up with deeper, better quality sleep."

Most important Lipsitz says to sleep in secure, quiet, dark surroundings in a comfortable bed.

Teen connection

TORONTO —

Since October, BBYO's Teen Connection program has been offering Jewish Grade 7 and 8 students the opportunity to meet on a regular basis to engage in a variety of programs.

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Group of young and innovative designers . . .

By BRUCE PARKINSON

To someone just starting out, whether as a designer, model, photographer, illustrator, or makeup artist, entrance into the fashion industry may seem to be barred by a lot of closed doors.

Looking in from the outside it's plain to see that there is a lot happening here in Toronto — shows, festivals, new magazines and television programs devoted to fashion, and a general "boom" atmosphere in the industry.

But for the person fresh out of school, hungry for some experience in a real working environment that will help him or her land a first job, it can be tough to get started.

Competition for jobs is intense, and it is difficult to make contacts and meet people in a field where everyone seems to be busy all the time.

Perhaps the toughest lot is that of new designers attempting to draw attention, interest and financial backing to the fashion visions into which they have invested their life savings. They often end up feeling like mythical Sisyphus, condemned for eternity to roll a stone uphill that always rolled down again. The cost of launching a line can easily exceed $100,000 and that comes with no guarantees.

Fashion Interact Canada, a recently formed group whose motto is "Networking Canada's Fashion Talent," helps promote new and innovative designers, and offers young people an opportunity to get some practical experience.

The group is home to a stable of young designers, whose lines are shown, photographed, promoted and sold through its showroom.

Fashion Interact relies on a pool of talent, mostly students or recent graduates, who cooperatively share their expertise and learn new skills as they go.

> "Things have been happening"

In a field where it is often not enough to be knowledgeable in one area, this sharing of talent could be beneficial to a career.

"If you're not with it, you just don't make it," said Jerome Hendricks, founder and president of Fashion Interact.

"In this business you have to keep learning. It's a continual process. Our goal is to bring young designers to the top. Along the way a lot of people can benefit."

After graduating from the merchandising program at the International Academy of Fashion Merchandising and Design in Toronto, Hendricks "wanted to do something interesting but there was nothing out there."

He conceived the idea of a cooperative group because "it made sense that all areas work together." Hendricks advertised in NOW Magazine, and received 75 calls from the first insertion.

"Since then, things have been happening so fast we haven't had time to think."

Since opening its showroom on Richmond Street last October, the group has "run into a lot of walls, but there's also been a lot of work and excitement."

Currently representing eight designer lines, the group is busy doing promotion, planning shows like its recent one at the Copa and looking for some corporate funding.

"It takes a lot to convince stores to sell young," said Vivian Wilson, Hendrick's "right- and left-hand man."

This is true at the best of times, but the complaint that retail stores are a tough sell this year is heard from many quarters, and not just those of young designers. The stock market slump and an apprehensive consumer have resulted in retailers buying fewer garments from a smaller number of suppliers.

"We're at the point where we have good designers but we're still having trouble selling," Wilson said.

Salability is an important factor when Wilson and Hendricks look at a designer's line to decide if they want to represent it. Items from their lines range in price from $7 to $1,500 but they warn designers that they "can't charge the same as Alfred Sung.

"They're nobodies right

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Style blends with comfort in this tailored paisley jacket and skirt. (Marie-Josee Crete photo)

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now, but some really get carried away. We have to tone them down. It takes time to get known. But we have faith in our designers. We love them all and we'll help push them to the top," Wilson said.

It is this unconditional support and spirit of cooperation that bodes well for the group's success.

"We're all on the same wavelength"

Rick Burtt, whose Jersey City line of casual and comfortable men's wear is one of the standouts of the collection, said, "I feel very fortunate to be a part of this group. Every day is a different day, exchanging ideas and views on where to get supplies, shaking hands with photographers and models, trading an outfit for a fitting. If I didn't belong here, I'd probably be using my relatives."

As well as shows, Fashion Interact holds seminars on costing, photography and makeup. It had displays at both Manstyle and the Festival of Canadian Fashion, giving its designers exposure they couldn't have afforded individually.

Its funding comes from a membership fee, commissions from wholesaling and whatever it can make from shows and seminars. Fashion Interact is looking for grants or some corporate sponsorship but so far has come up empty.

"There are so many stories of designers not making it," Hendricks said. "But we believe that once you have your foot in the door, you're halfway there.

"We're all on the same wavelength and it seems like we have been together a long time, we work so well together. It's a very exciting industry, and that's what keeps us going."

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Travel

Former home to the fabulous rich one of many islands off Georgia

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

JEKYL ISLAND, Ga. — This island off the coast of Georgia where millionaires from New York and Boston had their winter cottages before World War II, is just one of many islands which make up the Atlantic coast of the state. Many are easily accessible by highway bridges and ferries from main cities along the U.S. Highway 95, and are popular with Canadians during winter and spring months.

Where once only the fabulous rich like Rockefeller, Morgan or Gould came, there are now luxury hotels, motels and cottages for those who want a comfortable 60 F (15.6 Celsius) weather in spring and play golf every day. There are four golf courses on the island, the oldest built in the 1890 era for the millionaires.

Jekyl Island has 10 miles of beach for relaxing, beachcombing or jogging. Some of the former winter cottages are now resorts or open to public visits to see art work, antique furniture and stained glass windows. There are an antique car museum, antique doll museum and an art centre. Outdoors you'll see deer, wild turkeys, many different species of birds, you can go pier fishing or go after bigger game fish in the ocean on charter boats.

Pirates once roamed this coast, finding hiding places among the many islands. In fact one of the islands is named Blackbeard Island, now a national wildlife refuge. On some islands there has been digging for buried pirate gold and other treasure. In Savannah, a major city on the coast, there is even a Pirates' Restaurant, where legend has it pirates used to gather in the 18th century.

Just north of Jekyl Island is St. Simons Island which has been populated for several hundred years by Indians, then Spanish and English soldiers and settlers. Here is Fort Frederica, now a national monument to past wars, and a lighthouse built in 1862 where you can climb to the top to see Jekyl Island and other places in the nearby Atlantic Ocean area.

All the way up the coast are old forts and national wildlife refuges. The forts were used in the occupation by English forces, and the wildlife refuges were established earlier this century to preserve animal and bird life along the coast.

Bunswick and Savannah are the main cities from where the islands can be reached. Brunswick is named after British King George III of the House of Brunswick and was founded about 1770. Today it is a major seaport.

Savanah was founded in 1733 by British General James Ogelthorpe who laid out the area along the riverfront in squares, which are still there, giving the old part of the city a special look, with monuments and gardens on each square. Many old houses in the city have been fully restored to their one-time magnificence, with wrought-iron stairs and balconies.

Along the river are old cobblestone streets with warehouses used in the days of the cotton trade, many now turned into specialty shops, boutiques and restaurants. There is a monument to Florence Martus who with her dog daily waved a welcome or farewell to ships which passed — from 1887 to 1931.

On the river at Savannah is Fort Pulaski built in 1829 and bombarded in 1862 during the American Civil War. It is open to the public and you can walk, as this travel reporter did, along its masonry walls and see the cannons used more than a century ago.

There are synagogues in Savannah, but not on the various islands off the coast. In Savannah is Orthodox B'nai B'rith Jacob Synagogue at 5444 Abercorn St., Conservative Agudath Achim at 9 Lee Blvd., and Reform Mickve Israel Synagogue, founded 200 years ago, at Bull and Gordon Sts. One of the oldest Jewish cemeteries in the U.S. is in Savannah.

Statue of Florence Martus, the Waving Girl, on the Savannah River waterfront, where she still waves to ships passing by as she did from 1887 to 1931, at the restored Savannah waterfront.

Santa Monica offers winter deals

SANTA MONICA, Calif. —

Santa Monica, Los Angeles' oceanside resort, is offering winter discounts (now through April 30) and seven hotels have joined in with lowered rates and special services.

The participating hotels are offering a range of prices, from 15% off their regular rates (as low as $38.25 (U.S.) single or double occupancy) to 2-night stays at $199.95 (double occupancy) in a studio suite. Varying amenities include continental breakfast, afternoon tea, champagne, tickets to television tapings and more.

With Santa Monica's blue skies and 65 degree to 75 degree temperatures, sunning on the sand or soaking up the rays at an outdoor cafe are nothing out of the ordinary.

And cycling on the bike path that meanders along the ocean provides not just a breath of clear, fresh air, but also glorious views of coastal scenery.

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Coverage by province's compensation plan

Registered travel agent offers safeguards, benefits

TORONTO —
The first leg of any major holiday should involve an early tour of a few travel agencies, experts say.

Even the most seasoned travellers are taking risks by trying to plan vacations on their own, says Hal Burns, registrar of the Ontario Travel Industry Act.

Unless a trip is booked through a travel agent registered to operate in Ontario, it will not be convered by the province's compensation plan. The Ontario Travel Industry Compensation Fund covers financial losses to a maximum of $3,500 per person if any of the companies involved in a trip goes bankrupt without providing prepaid services.

"It's impossible to keep tabs on the financial health of every hotel and airline on earth," says Burns. "Yet, at one time or another, Ontario travel agents deal with most of them. Without the compensation fund, people would lose a lot of money. Last year, we covered $1.3 million in losses."

Travel agency customers also enjoy a number of other safeguards and benefits. Numerous new regulations to protect travellers were enacted recently. Details are available from the ministry of consumer and commercial relations.

One of the most visible impacts of this new legislation has been on travel brochures. Previously criticized for making misleading and exaggerated claims, promotional literature distributed by Ontario agents must now follow strict guidelines.

"There has been a much more realistic approach to brochure advertising this year," Burns says. "Prices are easier to pin down and customer rights are clearly explained — none of which does any good if people don't read the brochures. As good as the new laws are, they can't protect you if you don't take the time to understand and take advantage of them."

Add up all costs

An agent's expertise is another good resource. After finding an agency — hopefully by recommendation — explain what you want and ask questions about suggested destinations.

"Don't pick a newly discovered spot just to be trendy. Like many trends, the results may be disappointing, aggravating or expensive," says the registrar.

Once a trip is chosen, add up all the costs. Although the new laws ensure extras such as taxes, services charges and other fees are disclosed, the consumer has to do the math.

When shopping around for the best deal, be sure to compare similar trips. Burns says consumers can get caught two ways. Sometimes the prices being compared don't include the same charges. In other situations, quality of services differs.

The question of quality is one of the stickiest for the registrar's office as it is impossible to legislate.

"The new laws are designed to ensure consumers are told what they're getting, but that doesn't mean what they're getting is going to be great," he says.

"Personal preferences and expectations play a major role in whether a vacation is enjoyable or not and that's not something we can pin down. The best advice I can give people is not to expect the earth at bargain prices."

In efforts to save money, Ontario consumers have been turning in droves to last-minute trips. Burns warns that travellers must be flexible about destinations and departure times to take advantage of the sales. However, this may be changing.

The skyrocketing popularity of these last-minute sell-offs is taking a heavy toll on regular trade and some travel dealers have responded by matching price cuts.

"If the same package is available at a cheaper price later, some tour companies will rebate the difference," Burns says.

"The last-minute market has become difficult for tour operators. Companies have trouble planning packages properly with bookings trickling in until a few days before departure, when the floodgates open. The industry just can't function that way, so they're trying to stem the tide. You'll probably see more price matching in future.

"On the surface, this is good for travellers, but if price competition gets too stiff, the quality of the product could suffer."

For information about travel in general, the new regulations or the compensation plan, contact the Consumer Information Centre at 555 Yonge St., Toronto M7A 2H6 — (416) 963-1111 or toll free at (800) 268-1142. The TTY/TDD line for the hearing/speech impaired is (416) 963-0808.

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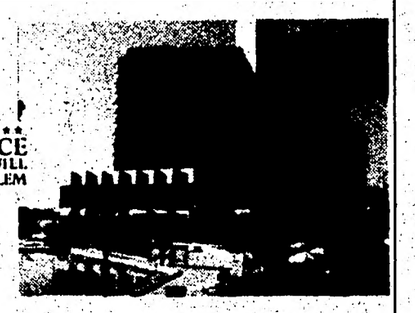

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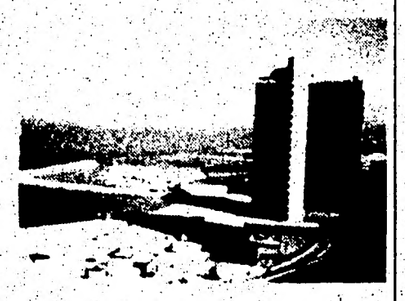

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Travel

Swiss connection with Zionism is theme

Two Basel hotels create packages for Jewish travellers

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

"In Basel I have founded the Jewish state."

Ninety-two years ago, a good 51 years before Israel's emergence, Theodor Herzl mouthed these prescient words as the first Zionist Congress wound down in this sophisticated Swiss metropolis.

City fathers take pride that Herzl — the founder of political Zionism — prophesied Israel's establishment in Basel.

In an effort to attract overseas Jewish visitors to Basel, tourist industry operators emphasize this relatively little-known fact.

Now two of Basel's leading hotels — the Metropol and the Euler — have put together packages geared to Jewish travellers interested in exploring Switzerland's connection with Zionism.

Andre Werner, general manager of both hostelries, provided details in an interview recently.

Heimish Basel, a 7-night package, $589 U.S. per person in a double room. The single room supplement is $105 U.S.

It includes baggage service from the railway station or airport, buffet breakfast, a sightseeing tour of Basel, admission to the Jewish Museum and the Museum of Fine Arts, a visit to a kosher wine cellar, a boat trip on the Rhine River, an excursion to the Swiss Alps, Germany's Black Forest or Alsace-Lorraine, a Shabbat dinner with a local Jewish family, and all taxes and gratuities.

Shalom Basel, a 3-night package with similar features, costs $265 per person in a double room, and $45 for a single room supplement.

On each tour, guests are shown the Stadt Casino — the locale of the historic 1897 Zionist Congress — and the Jewish Museum, the only one of its kind in Switzerland.

They're also given ample opportunity to walk in old Basel, famous for its well-preserved Baroque buildings, imposing churches and ornate fountains.

A first-class hotel, the Metropol is in the centre of Basel. All rooms come with a bath, color TV, video and mini bar. The Euler is a 5-star deluxe establishment.

Both hotels are part of the CEM chain, stretching from Europe to Brazil.

Werner, a 37-year-old Argentine Jew, has managed the Euler and the Metropol since last November. Before that, he worked in Monte Carlo, St. Moritz and the Canary Islands.

He studied hotel management in Lausanne and at Cornell University.

Werner left Argentina in 1972 and met his wife in Switzerland.

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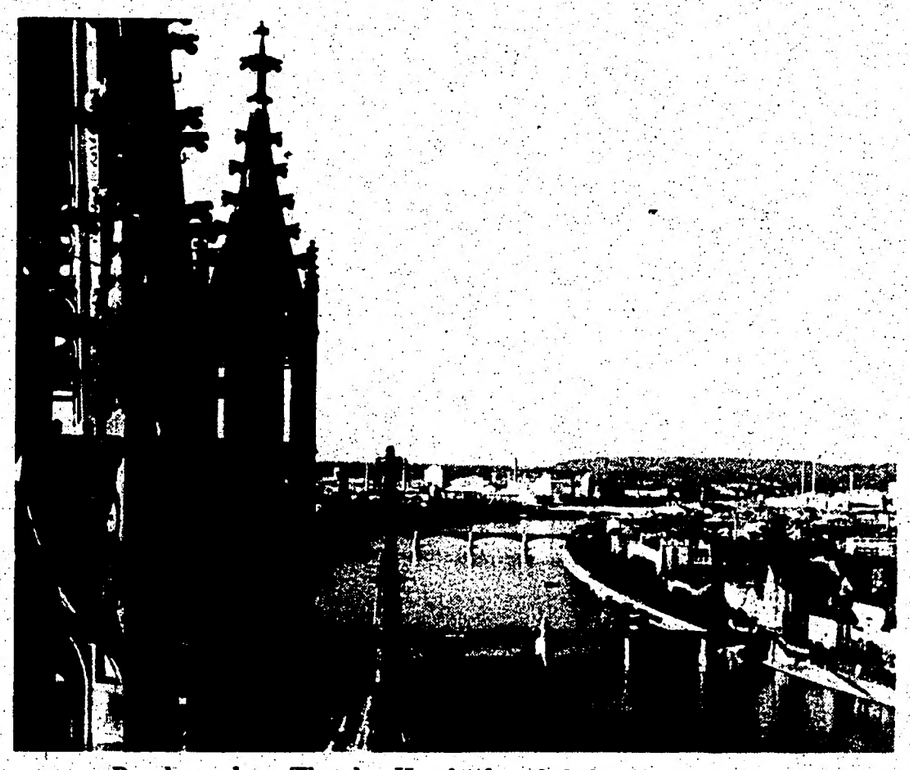

Basel — where Theodor Herzl "founded the Jewish state."

New Israeli airline begins Tel Aviv-Dead Sea flights

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

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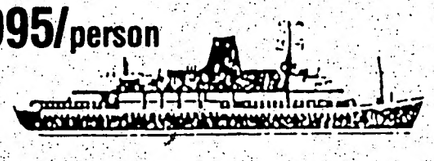
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Hitler's henchmen still have few worries

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Nazi Hunters: The Shocking True Story of the Continuing Search for Nazi War Criminals. By Charles Ashman/Robert J. Wagman. McClelland & Stewart, $26.95.

Nazi war criminals living in the United States, Great Britain, Canada, Australia, Spain and South America don't have much to worry about. Their host countries — some of whom welcomed them as valuable allies in the struggle against Communism — are unlikely to seek them out for ostracism or prosecution.

It is no secret that many high-ranking Nazi scientists helped launch the American space program.

Thousands of Hitler's henchmen will die in their beds, safe from the snares of the Nazi hunters.

The authors of this compelling study found a worldwide disinclination to bring mass murderers to justice. Many nations considered the process disruptive and divisive. After all, it was argued, the crimes occurred long ago, the perpetrators are now sick and elderly and the emerging revelations could prove embarassing to persons in high places.

The United Nations Nazi war crimes archive, recently opened, has become a precious resource for Nazi hunters in their quest for new evidence and additional names.

The authors point out that the United States government does not have the authority to prosecute foreign war criminals because the crimes did not occur in the United States. Moreover, during the 1960s and 1970s the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service didn't carry out the proper investigation of suspected Nazis that might have led to their deportation or extradition.

In referring to Canada and the findings of the Deschenes Commission the authors are not optimistic. "At this writing we tend to agree with critics like Sol Littman who view the Deschenes report, and the whole process, as essentially 'political' and the government's response as likely to result in the fewest possible war crimes prosecutions." Actually they believe it most unlikely that there will ever be a conviction in a Canadian court for a war crime related to the Holocaust. It is distressing to recall that Trudeau was unalterably opposed to the tracking down and prosecution of war criminals in Canada.

In 1986 an Australian investigation discovered ample evidence of overt anti-semitism in the policies of a post-war immigration minister. A firm quota of no more than 15% Jews was imposed upon any group of immigrants, and this policy lasted until well after the initial influx of displaced persons. The same anti-semitism prevailed during the war years. It explains why so few Jews fleeing Europe settled in Australia.

This book is an example of first-rate investigative reporting. It includes identification of specific war criminals and where they are hiding around the world; new witnesses who provide eyewitness accounts of Kurt Waldheim's personal involvement in war crimes and an interview with Alois Brunner, Eichmann's right-hand man, now living in Syria.

Careful attention is given to such outstanding Nazi hunters as Simon Wiesenthal, the Klarsfelds, Edgar Bronfman, Elan Steinberg and the executive of the World Jewish Congress.

The book emphasizes that in 20 years or so all the war criminals will be dead; it is either now or never.

The moral issue is clear. "In the United States, if Charles Manson or any other mass killer had escaped arrest for 40 or 50 years, it is doubtful that anyone would suggest patting him on the back, giving him his pension, and forgiving him. Thus, it must be asked that if someone has killed one thousand or perhaps one hundred thousand times more people than a Charles Manson, by what logic do we forgive and forget?" The hunt must go on.

Jewish religious items in exhibit

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Jewish religious objects — Torah mantles, a chupah and a succah — are included in an exhibition of liturgical textiles at the John B. Aird Gallery in Macdonald Block at 900 Bay St. at Wellesley until Feb. 25.

Organized by the Ontario Crafts Council as part of an ongoing liturgical project, Signs and Stories: Liturgical Textiles is a non-sectarian collection of religious works.

The exhibition is the outcome of a 3-year research project curated by Alison Parsons with a written commentary by liturgist James O'Regan. The project documents and promotes liturgical works by Ontario craftspeople.

The collection of works is a commentary on local histories, reflecting the individual character of a congregation. Included are panels which tell of the arrival of settlers and the subsequent development of the London area which demonstrate the importance of local histories and contemporary congregations. They show the involvement of these congregations in creating their own religious art.

Designed and made by experienced craftspeople who are members of the congregation, these pieces are sometimes made with other members joining in the work.

Two embroidered Torah mantles by local craftspeople are featured in the exhibition.

A petit point mantle cover for a Torah scroll by Beverley Colman, is made with 12 squares representing the tribes of Israel with their emblems and their names written in Hebrew. The appliqued mantle, which the artist dedicated to her children, is used at the Holy Blossom Temple during the High Holidays.

An original Torah mantle of wool on canvas, was created by Dana Geller as a commemorative piece after the death of her grandfather when she was 17 years old. The cover with two lions of Judah, presents the Tree of Life surrounded by the 12 tribes of Israel.

An appliqued and embroidered chupa by Susan Krivel is an intricate blending of themes including the circle of seasons joining arcs which portray Time and infinite regeneration of Life.

Featured at the Signs and Stories exhibition is the appliqued and embroidered succah created by the members of the Pomegranate Guild of Toronto. The project, coordinated by Temma Gentles, has five banners which portray scenes from Israeli postage stamps and Torah texts pertinent to the festival. A sixth banner extends hospitality to seven biblical partriarchs and matriarchs.

Baskets contain the fruits of the harvest and a table is covered with three cloths: an underskirt; a cloth with crocheted pomegranates — the symbol of plenty — and appliqued birds and plants; and a centre cloth embroidered with a blessing and quotations.

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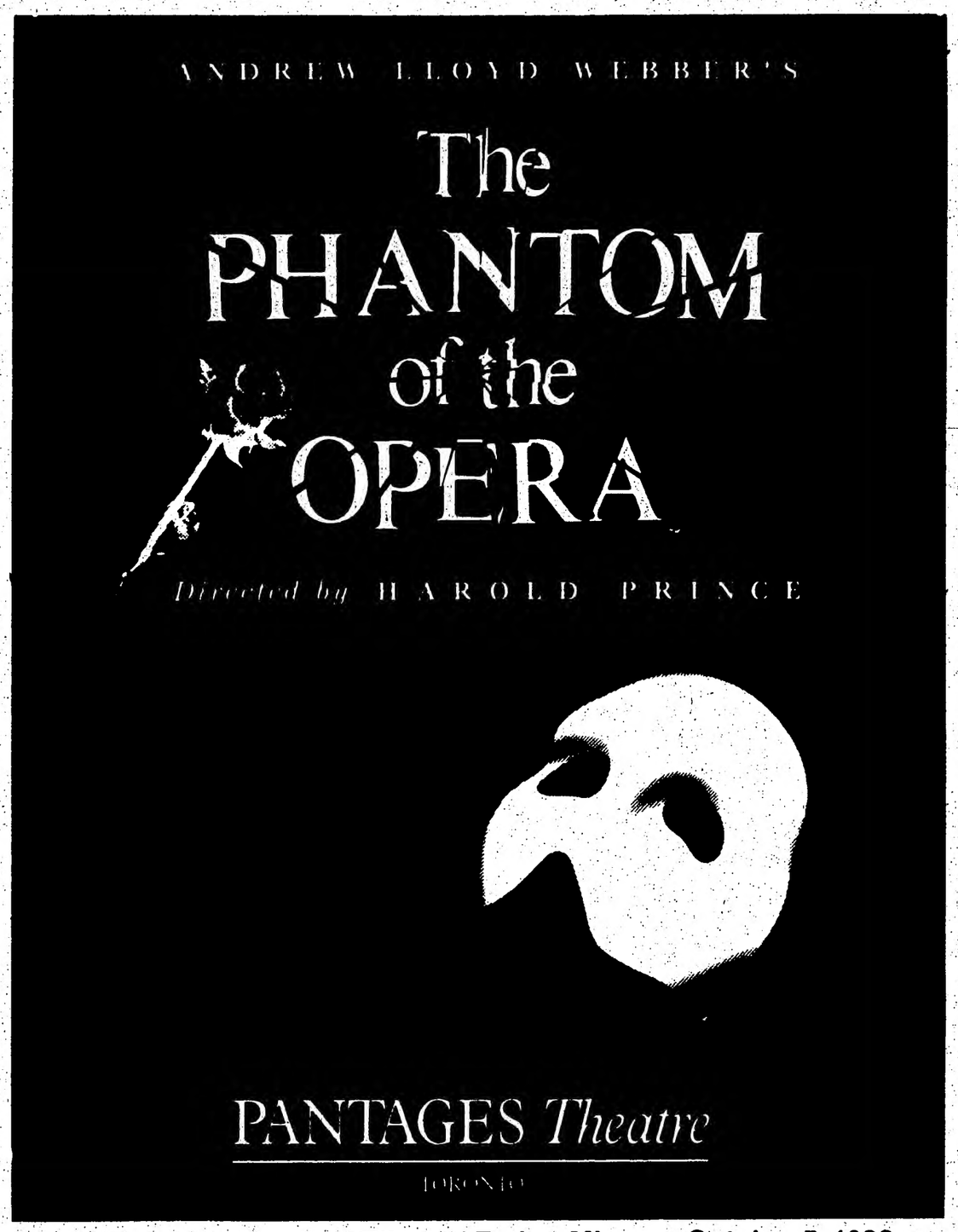

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Arts

Showbiz Mishmash

Stars talk about stars in spicey Movie Talk book

By
FRANK RASKY

Film director **Billy Wilder** once said of **Charlie Chaplin**: "When he found a voice to say what was on his mind, he was like an 8-year-old child writing lyrics for Beethoven's *Ninth Symphony*."

You'll find that viperish witticism in an entertaining new book titled *Movie Talk: Who Said What About Whom In The Movies* (Penguin Books of Canada; 244 pages; $29.95).

David Shipman, the British Jewish author of *The Story of Cinema* and *The Great Movie Stars*, has now assembled more than 4,000 quotations, ranging from vinegary to spicey, that relate to film celebrities from the silent era to the present day.

Naturally, I turned first to quotes about Jewish illuminati. The most glittering star in that constellation was the comic genius, **Charlie Chaplin**, whose mother, **Hannah**, a London music hall singer, is believed to have been Jewish.

Her controversial son garnered no fewer than 19 quotes. The most perceptive of them was voiced by his third wife, the Jewish actress **Paulette Goddard** Born **Pauline Levy** 78 years ago, and now the wife of German novelist **Erich Maria Remarque**, she performed opposite Chaplin in his films *Modern Times* and *The Great Dictator*.

Paulette Goddard

Avraham Fried

After her divorce from Chaplin, and obtaining an estimated alimony of $1 million, she expressed this opinion of him:

"*Modern Times* was an artistic success. But after that, everyone overintellectualized Charlie's work and consequently he became self-conscious. It harmed him, I think."

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Here are quotes about other Hollywood glamorpusses I found illuminating or amusing.

Walter Matthau on **Barbra Streisand**: "I had no disagreement with Barbra Streisand. I was merely exasperated at her tendency to be a complete megalomaniac."

Journalist **Donald Zec** on **Goldie Hawn**: "She was landed with an idiot giggle, a remorseless inclination to squeak, and if a brain hummed behind those dumbfounded eyes, the secret never leaked out."

Journalist **Victor Davis** on **Goldie Hawn**: "Ditzy, my eye! She's the brightest dumb blonde since Queen Boadicea sliced Roman kneecaps."

Bernard Shaw on his favorite actors: "**Cedric Hardwicke** is my fifth favorite actor, the first four being the **Marx Brothers.**"

Actress **Joan Blondell** on **Leslie Howard** ("The most English of English gentlemen" who was actually a Hungarian Jew born **Leslie Stainer**): "Leslie was a darling flirt. He'd be caressing your eyes and have his hand on someone else's leg at the same time. He was adorable. He was a little devil and just wanted his hands on every woman around. He just **loved** ladies!"

Kosso Eloul

Fran Avni

Author **Sheila Johnston** on director **Steven Spielberg**: "He's the poet of junk food and pop culture."

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Bette Davis on **Paul Muni** (originally known in New York's Jewish theatre as **Muni Weisenfreund**): "He was a fascinating, exciting, attractive man. Jesus, was he attractive! And it was sad to see him slowly disappear behind his elaborate makeup, his putty noses, his false lips, his beards. One of the few funny things the producer **Jack Warner** ever said was, 'Why are we paying him so much money when we can't find him?'"

George C. Scott on **Woody Allen** (actually named **Allen Konigsberg** when born in Flatbush, Brooklyn in 1935): "I've never been a Woody Allen fan. I'm sorry. Somebody closed the door on me there. God knows, many people say he's the funniest in the world. But I've never been able to appreciate his humor. I find him neurotic."

Comic actor **Larry Gelbart** on **Dustin Hoffman**, the perfectionist star of *Tootsie*: "Dustin is the kind of officer who has to take the hill, no matter how many bodies are left at the bottom. I told his wife after performing in *Tootsie* I'd never work again for an Oscar-winner who was shorter than the statue."

Film director **John Boorman** on **Sydney Pollack**, the director of *Tootsie*: "Sydney earned $14 million from his share of the profits in *Tootsie*. He said to me that, if he could get back the 18 months of his life which were total misery making it, he'd gladly give back the money. He said it was the worst experience of his life.

"He once formed a company with **Mark Rydell**, the Hollywood director, and it was called MJ Inc. I asked him what MJ stood for. He said, 'It stands for Melancholy Jew.'"

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A tip of my hat goes to the following Jewish creators in the arts.

Mazel tov to **Kosso Eloul**, the 68-year-old, Toronto-based Israeli sculptor, probably best known locally for his splendid creation, "Shalom II," at the Jewish Community Centre on Bathurst St. He will doubtlessly receive more acclaim for the gold aluminum sculpture he has created for each benefactor and patron of the forthcoming joint Israel Philharmonic-Toronto Symphony Gala Concert, conducted by **Zubin Mehta**.

Ofra Harnoy

Molly Picon

The black-tie, fund raising event will be held March 16 at Roy Thomson Hall. Sponsors have thus far donated $664,200 of the expected $1 million, which will be shared equally by the two orchestras. To become a sponsor, phone 977-3650.

Another Toronto-based Israeli artist — 23-year-old cellist **Ofra Harnoy** — has joined the lineup of entertainers I listed here last week who will perform March 1 at the black-tie, $125-a-person tribute evening at the Leah Posluns Theatre. The Jewish Community Centre will present there its annual Arts Person of the Year Award to cultural mover-and-shaker **Arthur Gelber.** For information, phone **Barbara Lampcov** (636-1880).

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Congratulations also to folk singer **Avraham Fried**, star of the chassidic song festival, *Let My People Be Jews*, which Chabad Lubavitch of Markham is presenting Feb. 26 at Minkler Auditorium in Seneca College (886-0420).

Eric A. Goldman, author of *Yiddish Film Past and Present*, informs me that, in celebration of the 90th birthday of the still spritely Jewish actress-singer **Molly Picon**, his company, Ergo Media, is releasing 10 video classics relating to Jewish culture. Five of the films are in Yiddish and five in English, and they range in price from $39.95 to $89.95, all in U.S.

Picon stars in two of them at $89.95, *Yidl Mitn Fidl* and *Mamele*. **Orson Welles** is the narrator of the $59.95 documentary, *Almonds and Raisins: A History of the Yiddish Cinema*. Author **Leo Rosten**, actor **Herschel Bernardi** and comedian **David Steinberg** are featured in the $49.95 *Yiddish: The Mame-Loshn*. For information, write Goldman at PO Box 2037, Teaneck, NJ, 07666.

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Fran Avni, the delightful Montreal-born singer, guitarist and children's entertainer, will give two concerts at 10 a.m. and 1.40 p.m. on Feb. 21 at Temple Har Zion Nursery School, 7360 Bayview Ave., north of Steeles, in Thornhill. She'll perform Purim songs from her previous children's album, *Latkes and Hamantashen*, as well as a medley from her new Goldstone Records album, *Artichokes and Brussel Sprouts* which include such ditties as *Hippity Hop*, *Try To Fly* and *Baby Bear's Chicken Pox*. For information about the $2 tickets, phone **Rickie Glickman** (889-2252).

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I bow out with this exit line from **Irving Layton's** autobiography, *Waiting For The Messiah*: "Scratch a poet and find a liar. It's no accident that lyre and liar are homonyms."

Tennant is radiant as young Juliet

TORONTO —

Veronica Tennant, a star of the National Ballet of Canada for almost 25 years, performed last week at the peak of her powers.

The 43-year-old prima ballerina demonstrated this repeatedly in her farewell appearance at the O'Keefe Centre when portraying a 14-year-old, "death-marked bride" with dewy-eyed freshness and tender pathos.

The role, of course, is Juliet in choreographer John Cranko's enduring masterwork, *Romeo and Juliet*, based on Shakespeare's tragedy of the star-crossed lovers and set to the melodious mood music of Serge Prokofiev.

It's the same role she played when making her debut as a principal dancer for the National at the age of 18.

Proving it takes a mature woman to truly plumb the depths of a tormented adolescent, she has since mastered the part with the finesse of a skilled dancer who is, as well, a dramatic actress at the top of her form.

It's thrilling to watch her make her lightning-swift transitions in character.

She's totally believable from the moment we see her step on stage in the 1st act, frolicking playfully with her nurse and prancing about with the party dress she is to wear that night at her first ball.

From then on, each movement is pure poetry but relevant dramatically. She is by turn frightened, shy and enraptured when exchanging glances with Romeo in the ballroom.

Veronica Tennant was dazzling in her farewell appearance as a 14-year-old lovestruck juvenile in Romeo and Juliet.

She is passionate in her frankly erotic love scenes on the balcony and in the bedroom.

And she is heartbreaking in the final scene of the 3rd act. After stabbing herself with a dagger, she cradles the dead Romeo in her arms, sways his body back and forth in a lament, kisses his fingers, and dies.

All the while, the tiny dancer (5-foot-3, 95 pounds) with the cascading locks of coal-black hair, glows radiantly, as Shakespeare phrases it, "like a rich jewel in an Ethiop's ear."

It's an exciting production, staged with the realistic elan of *West Side Story*. When originally produced in 1964, *Romeo and Juliet* helped dispel the notion of the National Ballet's critics that the company embodied an "English nanny" style of prissy dancing.

The rowdy fight scenes in the Verona marketplace square, boisterous with thwacking swords, women's hairpulls and the flinging of oranges and pears, displayed the feuding clans of the Capulets and Montagues as hot-blooded Renaissance Italians.

Raymond Smith, the usually reserved 31-year-old principal dancer, is superb as the 19-year-old Romeo. Tennant appears to have liberated his emotions; his eyes seem to shine with adoration whenever he looks at her.

Lorna Geddes, the veteran character dancer, is outstanding as the rollypolly nurse; her strutting walk and cheery face combine to make her a born comic.

Likewise endearing is the 44-year-old principal dancer, Tomas Schramek, as Romeo's best friend, that witty vagabond, Mercutio. His death in the duel scene is all the more tragic as he amusingly swigs a goblet of wine, kisses the pretty girls, and thumbs his nose at his opponent before being fatally wounded by the arrogant Tybalt (impeccably performed by Hazaros Surmeyan).

But the evening belonged to Tennant. The audience gave her a deserved standing ovation, and I herewith join them by saluting her, "Brava, Veronica!"

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Torch Song Trilogy by turns funny, perceptive, sad

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Harvey Fierstein's long-awaited screen adaptation of *Torch Song Trilogy* is here.

Fierstein's play about a Jewish homosexual in a heterogeneous world won two Tony awards.

Now Fierstein has succeeded in transforming the play into a film. Currently playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, *Torch Song Trilogy* is by turns funny, perceptive and sad.

The star, of course, is Fierstein himself. He wrote the screenplay and he plays the central character, Arnold Beckoff, a New York City drag queen who seeks love, understanding, commitment and respect.

Needless to say, *Torch Song Trilogy*, which unfolds over a 9-year period, couldn't have been made a generation ago.

Given society's norms, gays hadn't emerged from the closet. The world of homosexuals was hermetically sealed.

Appropriately enough, it literally begins in a closet. Arnold's stereotypical Jewish mother (Anne Bancroft) calls for her son. "Arnold, Arnold," she yells at the top of her voice. She finds the young boy in a closet, lipstick smudged on his lips and nose, a grin on his elfin face.

In the next scene, Arnold is seen as a brassy female impersonator in a slightly seedy New York club. As he sits at his dressing table, the light picking out his creases, Arnold waxes philosophically about his life.

He's been to bed with more men than he can remember. But there's something missing: love. He has yet to find a man with whom he can have a real loving relationship.

But that's not the extent of Arnold's problems. His parents neither understand nor accept him in his gay mode. They want him to be like "everyone else." They wish he'd meet a nice Jewish girl, marry her and bring some children into the world.

Needless to say, he disappoints them.

In *Torch Song Trilogy*, Arnold meets the men of his life — Ed (Brian Kerwin), a reticent homosexual who has heterosexual tendencies, and Alan (Matthew Broderick), a gay who needs a little encouragement.

Fierstein is a bundle of energy, whether he's strutting around the stage as Virginia Hamn, speaking in a rapsy voice to his impatient– mother, reproving Ed for this or that misdemeanor, or reprimanding his adoptive son.

Fierstein puts heart and soul into this role, and he touches us.

Bancroft exhibits qualities of joy, exasperation, pathos and anger as a long-suffering mother who will never come to terms with her son's homosexuality.

She's particularly effective in two memorable scenes — berating her hapless Arnold for saying kaddish in a cemetery for his non-Jewish lover, and explaining why Jewish mothers retire to Florida after their spouse's death.

Kerwin's performance is mellow, and Broderick's is admirably restrained.

Anne Bancroft and Harvey Fierstein in Torch Song Trilogy.

Torch Song Trilogy, **though seemingly narrow in its perspective, is really broader than it appears to be: Man's search for affection and self-development transcends gender or sexual orientation.**

"Don't worry! Be freilich!" says Winnipeg's Finjan

By
DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Shpass is the answer.

The question is, what did Modest Mussorgsky's *Pictures At An Exhibition* have in common with East European-style klezmer music?

Both components of the recent Jewish Music Society of Toronto concert here offered a complementary glimpse into the mystery of life.

If Pictures, flawlessly executed by pianist Yuval Fichman, asked in arcane and occasionally comical musical images, what is life all about, then Winnipeg's klezmer group Finjan answered in no uncertain terms.

"Das leiben is a liedel, das leiben is a shpass," sang out and played Finjan's members in their lively rendition of Yiddle Mitt'n Fiedle (A Jew and his fiddle): "Life is a song; it amounts to a kind of joke."

"Our theme tonight," stated lead clarinettist Marvin Shultz between glissando wails and rooster crows, "is 'Don't worry! Be freilich'!"

The audience of over 700 people that packed Beth Tzedec Congregation's banquet hall complied with clapping, tapping, singing, and standing ovations.

"If only I were 50 years younger!" cried out a member of a Baycrest Terrace delegation beside this reporter. "I would. . . . A sudden rollicking gust from the stage cut off the rest of her sentence and sent her hands into a barrage of applause. "I hope I don't get a heart attack," she said afterwards.

Finjan's string men Victor Shultz (Marvin's younger brother) and Danny Kulak, woodwinders Shultz and Eli Hershkowitz, vocalist/accordionist Shayla Fink, and bass player/vocalist Kinsey Posen belted out song after song for nearly an hour and a half. Between them and the audience, almost as much energy was liberated as from a small nuclear device.

Included were selections from their first album, *Where Were You During Prohibition?*, and their newly released *Ship to Shore*. Fink's and Posen's earthy voices, whether in English or flawless Yiddish, instrumental pyrotechnics by the Shultzes and by Hershkowitz, and Kulak's good-natured versatility provided peaks of delight.

Tel Aviv-born Fichman, now one of Canada's leading young pianists, evoked Mussorgsky's 10 pictures, from the Gnome to the Great Gate of Kiev, with clarity and precision. The music, which ranged from moody to lilting to majestic, flowed around the vortices of the piece's recurring theme. The latter climaxed in an anthem-like swell.

Fichman's performance, which also included Canadian composer Oskar Morawetz's *Scherzo*, launched the music society's concert.

In preliminary remarks, Ben Steinberg, society president, said that the group's presentations are aimed at "reaffirming a commitment to Jewish culture."

The performance of Jewish music, he said, was "an eloquent response" to the trauma of the Holocaust, "an appropriate response to the tyrants of history."

The society's next presentation is a talk on Sephardi music, by New York University's Kay Shelemay, Sat., Feb. 25, 8 p.m., at the Lipa Green building.

Cellist Seidelman, 15, to make professional debut

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Fifteen-year old cellist Ayala Seidelman makes her professional debut here when she plays the Boccherini concerto with the Ensemble Sir Ernest MacMillan under the direction of Marta Hidy, Feb. 18, at First Pilgrim Church.

The middle one of a trio of talented teenage sisters, Ayala began taking cello lessons in 1983 in Beersheba, where her father, Dr. William Seidelman, associate professor with the department of family medicine at McMaster University, was spending a sabbatical year at Ben Gurion University.

Older sister Aviva, 17, plays the flute and 13-year-old Rona the viola, and in an interview at her home recently, Ayala recalled that it was her parents who chose the cello for her and that she "accepted it with no fuss."

Since 1984 she has been studying with Zdenek Konicek, a founding member of the renowned Prague Quartet who has been with the McMaster faculty of music since settling here some two decades ago. It was he who suggested that Ayala audition for Marta Hidy.

Ayala Seidelman

The young musician is still "trying to find the right balance," among her various interests. She is taking grade 10 and 11 courses at Westdale Collegiate, would like to keep up ballet, enjoys painting, hiking and camping and swims and plays badminton.

Locally Ayala has performed at Shalom Village and various community events, notably last year's Yom Hashoa program, when she played a contemporary Jewish piece by Leon Zuckert.

She feels a deep affinity for Jewish music. Perhaps, explains Ayala, because of her "multicultural Jewish background." Her Egyptian-born mother Racheline traces her roots through Spain, Turkey, Iraq, the Sudan and Morocco, where her grandfather was the distinguished Rabbi Berdugo, while her father's background is Russian, Hungarian and German.

Steinsaltz publishes work on Ketubot

TORONTO —

Jerusalem's Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz, who continues to write more Talmud than most people have read, has just published part two of his annotated version of *Tractate Ketubot*. The 250-page folio sized volume is now available in Canada through Mizrachi Publications (phone in Toronto 630-7575) and local Jewish bookstores.

Like its 20 predecessors, the book contains the original Gemarah (the Babylonian and Palestinian sages' discussions of the Mishna, the first written repository of the Oral Law), which Steinsaltz has punctuated and vowelized, and reproduced in modern Hebrew.

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Ketubot, which means marriage contracts, deals with the legal obligations of bride and groom and of their subsequent wedded life.

Launching Ketubot II is a discussion on dowries and their financial and legal implications.

Eban shoots new TV series

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Abba Eban is shooting a new television series.

As history-maker and historian, Eban will be both filmed participant and commentator for Israel 1947 to 1988: A Personal Witness.

Eban's previous series, Heritage, Civilization and the Jews, touched only briefly on modern Israel. Like the earlier series, this production is for the American Public Broadcasting System.

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A Kind of Madness on at Leah Posluns Theatre

Controversial Refusenik play sparks healthy debate

By
FRANK RASKY

Robert Rozen (left) and Gerry Salsberg co-star in satirical black comedy, A Kind of Madness, at Leah Posluns Theatre.

TORONTO —

A Kind Of Madness (running until Feb. 25 at the Leah Posluns Theatre) is the most controversial play I've ever seen staged there.

It's certainly the only comedy I've attended that has sparked more debate than laughter at the Posluns.

In the lobby during intermission, I observed uptight knots of opening night theatregoers engage in heated — and healthy — argument.

"Is it proper," some were asking, "for the tragedy of Soviet Refuseniks to be the subject for a satire?"

Playwright Nikki Harmon obviously thinks so. A Jewish New Yorker of 44 recently transplanted in Toronto, she says her black comedy can be summed up as "Sholom Aleichem meets Franz Kafka."

I believe it's more like Alice In Wonderland meets the commissars Abbot and Costello in Minsky's Burlesque.

Her two main Jewish characters were inspired by the bizarre gulag experiences of actual Refuseniks.

In Ron Stefaniuk's imaginative set of the Moscow kremlin gone cuckoo, we first meet Gerry Salsberg in one of his several roles. Salsberg was hilarious last year as a fishmonger in the Posluns production of Neil Simon's *Last Of The Red Hot Lovers*.

Here he introduces himself to the audience as a former professor of applied mathematics. Because he dared to apply for an exit visa from the Communist Paradise — which means you must be a criminal, a lunatic, or both — he served 10 years in a prison camp.

Now he's a buffoonish janitor pushing a broom, because he's over-qualified for any other job.

He introduces us to the second Refusenik, who is nicely performed by Robert Rozen. A few seasons ago, Rozen scored a hit as the shlemiel yeshiva student in the Posluns production of the shtetl folk comedy, *Kuni Leml*.

Here he's a naive noodnik named Aleksandr, who wisens up after the KGB arrests him to meet their Siberian prison camp quota. While innocently waiting to catch a bus, the poor fellow is seized on a false charge of "stepping on the flowers in Gorki Park."

I got a few laughs out of the battle of wits when Aleksandr tries to outfox the KGB's red tape-ridden prosecutor (well acted by R. D. Reid) and the sneaky assistant prosecutor (a sterling performance by Allen Stewart-Coates).

They exchange theatre of the absurd dialogue, with irrational lines reminiscent of Lewis Carroll's Red Queen in *Alice In Wonderland*: "The prisoner's sentence comes first, the charges later."

Thus Aleksandr is solemnly informed, "If you were innocent, you wouldn't be on trial. And if you are on trial, you must be guilty."

"Then why have a trial at all?" asks the befuddled prisoner.

"Because it's the law," he is told with straight-faced illogic.

In the same vein, the prosecutor asks in exasperation, "Why do you answer my questions with a question?"

Aleksandr swiftly retorts, "And why do you ask questions that have no answers?"

Unfortunately, it's a 1-joke satire, and variations of this nonsense word play ultimately become wearisome.

Regrettably, too, I found Reva Stern's direction tended to be heavy-handed. This is especially true in the mirthless trial scene, when, without reason, Salsberg is asked to mouth the pondorous lines for a giant mechanical puppet judge.

Salsberg, who is usually most comfortable just clowning around, is allowed to apply meat-axe vaudeville shtik to the subtle ironies of the play. Quite irrelevantly, for example, he pulls out the chair from under the prosecutor, who sits in midair and keeps conversing.

Salsberg also hits a new low in crudity when, in the role of a KGB informer, he starts picking his nose as a device to get cheap laughs. Really. That's more than wretched excess; it's downright vulgar. To quote a line from the play, "In our fathers' day in Russia, Jews were persecuted with more finesse."

Yet, despite my litany of its flaws, I recommend that you see this gallows-humor satire. Uneven though it may be, a play that stirs up so much passion from dissenting theatregoers merits your attention.

Cousins a waste of good talent

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Joel Schumacher has a lot to answer for.

His romantic comedy, *Cousins*, wastes good talent like there is no tomorrow.

Sean Young, Isabella Rossellini (the illegitimately-conceived daughter of Ingrid Bergman and Roberto Rossellini) and Norma Aleandro (the Argentine actress) are essentially wasted in this empty-headed film that elicits yawns more than anything else.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *Cousins* is about two extramarital affairs — one sordid, the other predictable.

Tom (William Petersen), a raunchy car salesman, is having a fling with Tish (Sean Young). Larry (Tim Danson), her husband, is not unaware of it. Instead of trying to break it up, he goes after Maria (Rossellini), Tom's comely wife.

Maria is receptive to Larry's overtures because Tom is such a cad. At first, Larry and Maria are just friends, platonic friends. But before you can say, "Let's get on with it," the inevitable happens: Larry beds Maria.

The events that follow are not surprising.

***Cousins* is neither inventive nor imaginative.**

It's also pretty vulgar. At a wedding reception, one of several which crop up in this misbegotten picture, Larry's uncle bares his bottom to make a point. Minutes before this crass performance, Larry threatens to undo his fly and pull out his reproductive organ to a crowd consisting of children and grandparents. Throughout the proceedings, men masquerading as adults resort to fisticuffs for the most inane reasons.

Tim Danson's chief claim in *Cousins* is his avuncular manner. He's obviously picked up his conversational style from *Cheers*, that television sitcom. Strangely enough, he bears an uncanny facial resemblance to Sen. Jerry Grafstein.

Norma Aleandro is cast as an unfortunate widow whose second husband departs this vale of tears shortly after their marriage. She's reduced to being a stereotypical grandmotherly figure.

Sean Young does little else but strut around in a tight-fitting skirt, displaying long, shapely legs for the camera.

Isabella Rossellini is beautiful and dowdy by turns. She, too, is drowned in an inept script.

Lloyd Bridges, in what was perhaps his last performance before his recent death, plays the role of a with-it grandfather who blithely offers pornographic magazines to his grandson and shows off his brightly-packaged condoms as he prepares himself for a date. Poor Lloyd Bridges. In his dotage, he must have been rather desperate.

If there is anything memorable in *Cousins*, it must be the background scenery. The forested mountains and pristine lakes of Vancouver and environs are visually appealing. But then Schumacher spoils it all by using that sweeping backdrop to film the most hackneyed final scene imaginable.

In *Cousins*, virtually nothing works.

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MONEY MATTERS

By
ARNOLD POLAN

Many Canadians look at RRSPs as a source of extra income at retirement. You could be in for a rude awakening if you do.

The fact is that the combined benefits you will receive from Old Age Security, the Canada/Quebec Pension Plan and company benefits may be insufficient to meet your needs. Consider that the maximum payments for 1988 from OAS/CPP and/or QPP totalled just $10,296.30 annually.

Also consider the limitations of your company plan. Most Canadians who participate in pension plans (94% in fact) have defined benefit plans.

This type of plan calculates your retirement benefits according to your salary and years of service with the company. The size of contributions to the plan depends on who contributes — you, the company or both.

The other factor that will influence the benefits you receive at retirement is how your company interprets "average salary." Definitions can range from an average of all your years with the company or an average of the last five years. Obviously, the latter definition is more favorable.

You can see how with a defined benefit plan, you could do quite well or you could earn only half of your current salary.

On the other side of the coin is the defined contribution or money-purchase plan. With this type of plan, contributions from the employee and/or employer are fixed and the benefits at retirement are determined by the pension plan's performance and the level of interest rates at retirement.

This type of plan is less secure than a defined benefit plan because benefits are not guaranteed. If your investment grows at less than the rate of inflation, you are actually losing purchasing power.

Next, contrast your projected income with your needs at retirement. Experts estimate that most people between the ages of 40 and 60 will require between 65 and 80% of their current income to live satisfactorily at retirement.

However, if your plans include travel or expensive hobbies, you could need more. There's a good chance your needs will exceed your income, and that's where the RRSP fits in. By fully utilizing your RRSP, you can build a defense against inflation and taxes and ensure the maintenance of your lifestyle at retirement.

Two facts of life which many people fail to take into account when planning for retirement are the effects of inflation and taxes. Although inflation has averaged 5% over the past 30 years, and this doesn't sound like much compared to the double-digit inflation we experienced in the 1970s, even 5% can have a disastrous effect on your income requirements in the future.

By way of example, if you earn $50,000 today, in just 20 years you will need $132,664.89 to enjoy the same standard of living. This is almost triple your current income! Clearly, your investments must perform better than the rate of inflation for you to have a comfortable retirement.

The other factor you must consider is the effect of taxes on your savings. Invested outside an RRSP, the rate of return you earn on your investments is cut by as much as 50% (depending on your tax bracket). After accounting for the effects of inflation, some of your investments may even be earning a negative rate of return! Sheltering your investments from tax within an RRSP results in increased growth.

The key to ensuring the maintenance of your current lifestyle at retirement is planning. By determining what amount of income you can expect and by contrasting this amount with your requirements now, you will likely be able to make up any shortfalls using your RRSP.

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Savings plans help prepare for future

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

There is no time like the present to start planning for the future was the theme of Mark Winson's seminar at the recent Financial Forum. Winson is the president of the AQ Financial Group.

After setting the objectives for retirement, what options are open and which savings plans are best?

The current Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP) rules are something of which to take advantage, Winson said.

It is still possible to contribute to both personal and spousal plans, and those contributions may range from 20% of the total income to any amount up to $3,500. However, this is the last year to roll the pension income into a spousal RRSP so keeping flexibility in the savings plan may be a benefit in the future, Winson warned.

Other options are also open. Both a Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF) and Annuities will act as tax shelters and gradually turn into a regular income.

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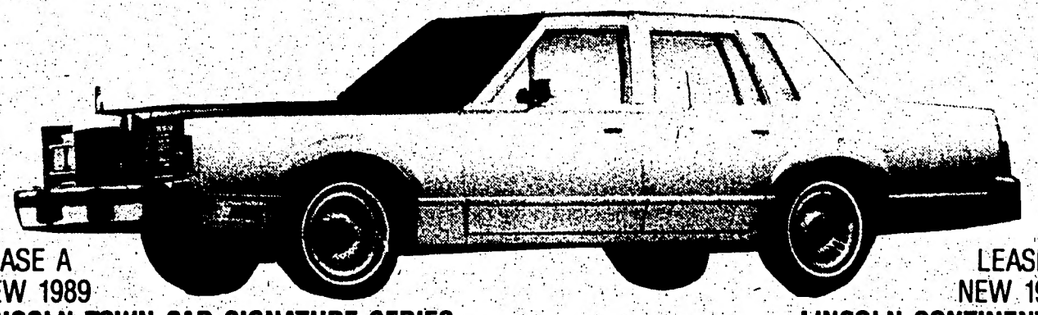

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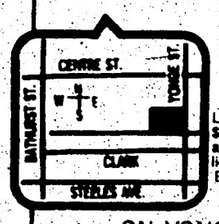

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By MURRAY SHERR, BUNNY BERGSTEIN & EARL CRACKOWER

Question: After 37 years at the same company, I am planning to retire in June. My pension monies can be transferred but I am told that I can only buy an annuity and not a RRIF. Can you clarify the rules for me please?

Answer: The rules you refer to are set out by the legislation in Ontario which governs pension plans. If you are age 45 and have had 10 years of employment, your pension funds are locked in. That means that you may withdraw, in cash, an amount up to 25% of your pre-1987 accruals. The amount withdrawn would be considered earned income and taxable in the year received. This amount may also be used to purchase a RRIF or an annuity without paying tax on the transferred amount.

The remaining 75% of the accrual may be transferred to a "locked-in" RRSP or used for the purchase of an immediate annuity only. If you choose the locked-in RRSP in order to defer your pension for several years you will still be restricted to an annuity when converting to income.

You might want to check to see if over the years you have made any voluntary employee contributions. These may also be withdrawn in cash or used for a RRIF or annuity.

Question: I have income from several sources including a RRIF and an annuity. Can I contribute 20% of my RRIF and annuity income to my RRSP or to a spousal RRSP?

Answer: RRIF income is not now and has never been included in the definition of earned income for RRSP purposes. Therefore no deposits to either your RRSP or to a spousal RRSP is allowed.

Income from an annuity, if you received that income, is included as earned income for 1988. Therefore 20% of it can be used for your own or your spousal RRSP.

The rules for 1989 and 1990 are changing. Do not jump into your 1989 deposit without first consulting an experienced advisor.

Question: You mentioned creditor-proof RRSPs in the Jan. 19 issue of The CJN. Can you explain what you mean by this?

Answer: Under the Bankruptcy Act of Canada, should a person have a claim against him that is beyond his asset value, a trustee in bankruptcy can distribute all of his assets including his RRSP, RRIFs and commutable annuities.

The exception to the rule is if the province that the assets are in has legislation which prohibits the seizure of specific assets. Such legislation is the Insurance Act of Ontario which prohibits the seizure of funds from contracts issued by a life insurance company where a first class beneficiary has been named. Under these circumstances the assets of RRSPs, RRIFs and annuities are creditor-proof.

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No Guaranteed Term	65	569.00	522.00
	71	652.00	595.00
LIFE ANNUITY	Age 60	506.00	483.00
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Legislation may stop seizure of assets

Because none of us can be sure of what the future holds, all things being equal, creditor-proof contracts should be preferred for all retirement funds. This becomes an absolute must for anyone in any business, small or large.

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RRSP contributions can still continue after 65

By
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Inevitably people over age 65 wonder if it is worthwhile to continue to add money to an RRSP. This is particularly troublesome to those who now are retired.

The answer is yes, if you are paying income taxes. In this context, we are referring to those who will be paying taxes in April for 1988 and then again for the 1989 taxation years.

Contributing to an RRSP simply means that you reduce your net earnings and therefore you reduce your income tax payable. You pay less income tax while at the same time retaining an investment that is earning for you. All earnings, interest or gains, in the RRSP are also tax free. Therefore it grows much quicker than money can grow in non-registered savings plans.

Yes, you will have to pay tax on the money later, as you draw on it, from an annuity or RRIF, but the bottom line is that there will still be far more left because you were able to defer the tax and keep the money in your name for a longer period of time.

Unfortunately, using the rollover of pension monies, which include Canada Pension and Old Age Security as well as retirement pension from employment, is rapidly coming to an end. The federal government has now decided that rollovers from pension sources will no longer be allowed after the 1989 taxation year.

That's a real pity. Many seniors, realizing that their pension savings for retirement were inadequate, used the CPP and OAS incomes to build their RRSP so that they would have a larger amount to draw from by age 71.

For the 1988 taxation year, you may contribute up to the total of all pension income to an RRSP as long as the contribution is made by March 1, 1989. This is in addition to your allowable contribution from earned income or 20% of earnings to a maximum of $7,500. Even if you have no earned income, you may use 100% of the pension income for yourself with no maximum of 20% of your total pension income for a spousal deposit to a maximum of $7,500. Pension income for 1988 includes CPP and OAS, employment pension and annuity income.

If you are contributing pension income from employment, please remember to hold back $1,000 in order to get the Pension Income Deduction which is worth $261.80 tax credit for 1988.

For the 1989 taxation year, some rules will change. You can still roll the total of your pension income to your RRSP, however now you may choose to make a spousal contribution, limited to $6,000 of pension income. CPP and OAS are not included as qualifying pensions for the $6,000 contribution. The good news is that the new deposit ($6,000) will be available through 1994 and up to $7,500 of earned income may still be added to the spousal account.

The strategy then is to contribute the maximum that you can afford to your plan from both earned income and pension rollovers for 1988. Measure the relative value of having some or all of the earned income go to a spousal and the maximum from pensions to your own plan.

Then again for 1989, plan to continue to build the spousal with up to $6,000 from pension income plus earned income and deposit the remainder of allowable pension to yourself.

For the 1990 taxation year, the allowable pension rollover to your own RRSP will end. Only the $6,000 spousal deposit will remain from pension income from employment. So don't miss out in maximizing your RRSP contributions while it is available. It will soon be much more difficult to accumulate money while saving income tax.

May we offer one important caution. RRSP limits now have become complex. Do not attempt to do it yourself. Consult an experienced advisor. It may save you a lot of money and trouble later.

Top stocks on market

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

The ScotiaMcLeod group gave an overview of what consumers can expect in the near future and revealed their Top Ten Picks for the stock market.

In a brief summary at the recent Financial Forum at the Metro Convention Centre, the seminar summed up that Canada will experience slower consumer spending, low inflation, tightening monetary policies, and varying wage trends.

Based on the overall economic outlook and the recent performance of company stocks, ScotiaMcLeod has put together the Top Ten Pick list for investors.

Those companies include Atco (ACO.O), Dofasco (DFS), Inco (N), Kaufel.A (KGL.A), Laidlaw (LDM.A), Maclean Hunter (MHP.X), Nova Corp. (NVA), Power Financial (PWF), Royal Bank (RY) and Shell Canada (SHC).

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Business Outlook

Inflation to be considered when planning retirement

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Most people don't plan to fail, they fail to plan, says Ted Snider, president of the Snider Financial Group. "Ninety per cent of all Canadians spend less than 30 minutes a year planning their financial future."

Leading a seminar entitled How to Improve Your Retirement Years at the recent Financial Forum at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Snider told the audience that there are basically three phases involved in financial planning.

The accumulation phase takes place during the working years when one tries to increase assets so that when retirement is reached, there are enough assets to generate income.

The transition phase involves making decisions concerning how one will turn those assets into income through RRSPs or other savings plans.

The final stage, the retirement phase, occurs when one hopes there is enough income for continued financial support throughout retirement. Ideally, the income should stay above the required amount each year, but when it fails to do so, problems arise.

Snider advised the group to take into consideration a host of factors affecting the amount of money one has saved for retirement. However, the one factor he stressed was inflation.

"Inflation is a fact of life, but it can destroy or diminish your retirement fund," Snider said.

"In Canada, the inflation rate is 4%, but that is an overall figure. When that figure is broken down, different items have increased at individual rates. For example, some of our favorite magazines have risen by 30%."

Inflation tends to make people overcompensate. Most actually have enough money saved for the golden years, but they live below their means because of inflation.

Another problem people run into when considering retirement saving is the tendency to go with any investment that comes along instead of choosing those that meet specific financial objectives.

Snider cited a list of objectives to be considered when looking at investment

Tax factor

opportunities. One should rate the investment risk tolerance — how much risk is involved in this type of investment? Does the investment meet the income and the estate objectives? What is the surplus income of the investment? Does the investment make sense?

The tax factor should be considered last because if the investment does not suit the person, it really makes no difference what the method of taxation is on the investment.

Snider listed the four major types of savings options available — RRSPs, cash, annuity or RRIFs. Again, criteria for making decisions between the savings plans were viewed.

One must consider the flexibility of the plan, individual health, and interest rates. Combined with these factors, one must think about the risk tolerance, the estate preservation, the management of the funds, and the taxation on the income and the estate.

"There is much to consider when talking about a savings plan and investment opportunities. You have to be able to coordinate many factors in order to come up with the most suitable plan for you," Snider said.

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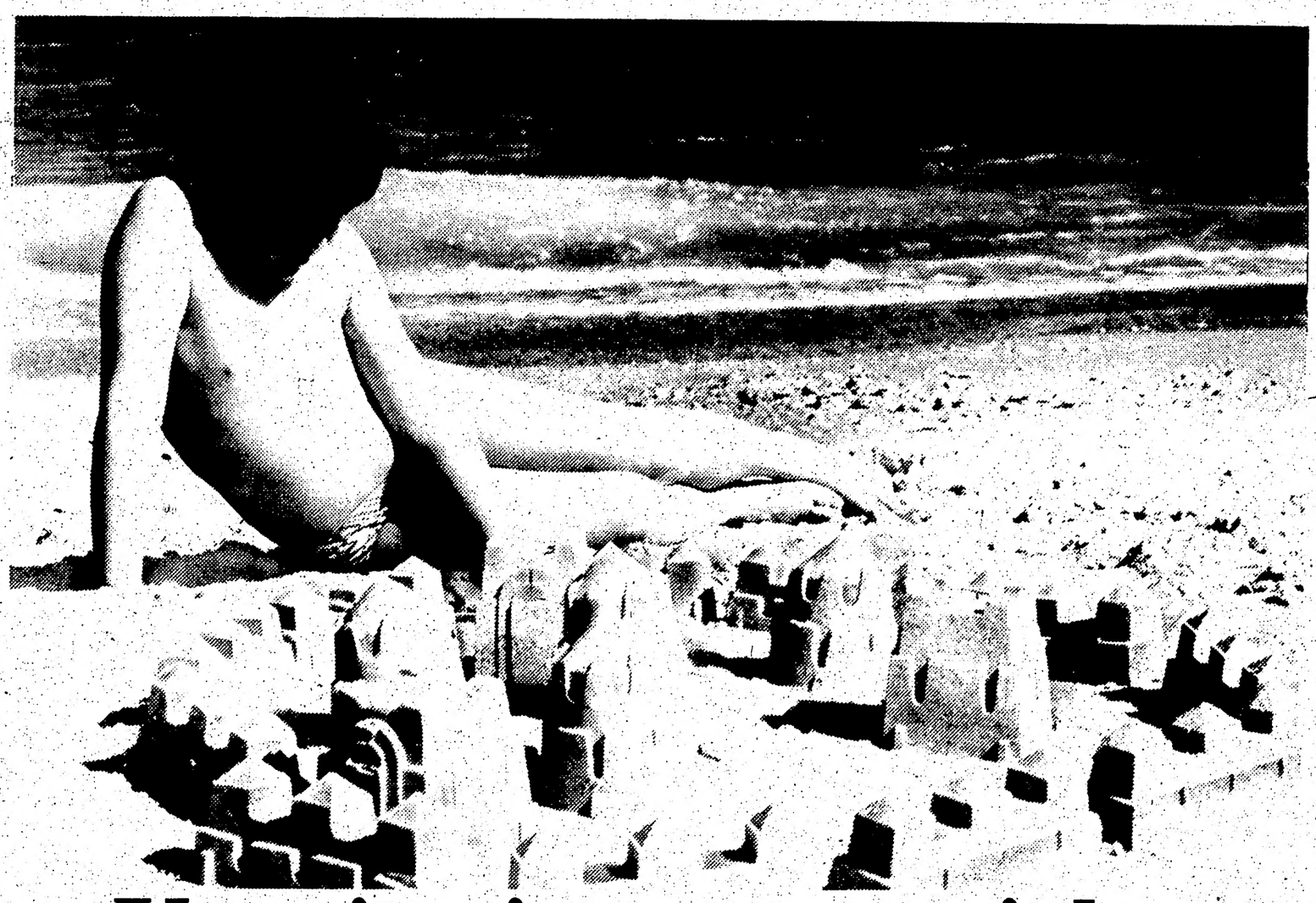

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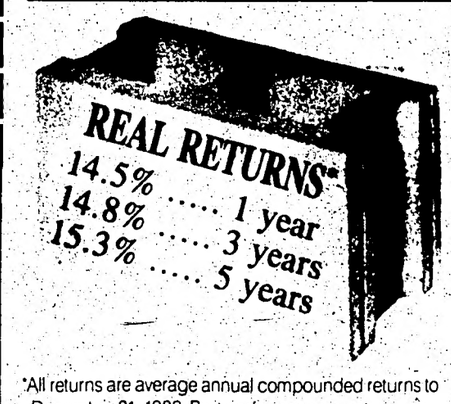

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29 Social Announcements

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